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M: KARL ROBINSON

LEAGUE STATISTICS

FINAL POSITION: 5th
GOALS SCORED: 84
GOALS CONCEDED: 47
FORM: DWWWWL

KARL Robinson has left no stone unturned as he looks to guide Dons to play-off glory at the second time of asking.

The Dons manager believes that his side can learn from last year's defeat at this stage to Peterborough United and he has made changes to both plans and preparation.

He has conceded that his side were perhaps 'not ready' last time out but he feels that nothing could be further from the truth this time around.

New arrivals Darren Potter and Shaun Williams were big winners at the club's end of season awards, demonstrating the improvements which have been made on the pitch.

Dean Bowditch and Charlie MacDonald, the club's top two leading goalscorers, are also new additions although Dons have had to cope with the loss of Sam Baldock.

Robinson has been so impressed with his squad that he wants every member to remain next year.

The team will stay in a hotel between the two legs and will not watch the other semi-final as they devote all efforts to getting through the tie.

Robinson should have a full strength squad to pick from, with the exception of injured pair Mathias Doumbe and Luke Chadwick who may only be fit for the bench.

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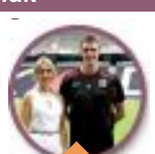

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How baking is helping to break language barriers

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Lib Dems need new leader after election

SEE **PAGES 26&27**

THE big day has finally arrived for our lucky win a wedding couple. Turn to page 20 to read all about their fairytale wedding thanks to a £20,000 prize courtesy of MK NEWS.

Perfect day: Mark and Sophie Basson at Horwood House after Friday's wedding

Save the city's heritage

BY ADAM GRINSELL

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IT ONCE stood as a beacon shining out across the new city of Milton Keynes - a red, glowing monument that represented the new home of the thousands that had chosen to uproot and move here.

But now that history could be destroyed by developers wanting to attract new retailers.

After MK NEWS exclusively revealed two weeks ago that the iconic, pyramid-shaped structure at The Point could be torn down, we were inundated with readers expressing sadness, outrage and disbelief at the possible proposals.

Many have fond memories of the building, which at one time stood proud as the highest point in the new city, and say they would be upset to see the famous landmark disappearing from the city's skyline.

MK NEWS SAYS PROTECT THE POINT

So now MK NEWS says Protect The Point.

This paper is launching a campaign to try to save this piece of Milton Keynes history, which we hope can be preserved for future residents and generations to enjoy.

It is an important part of not only the city's history, but the history of the UK. At the time it was built in 1985 the UK's cinematic industry was floundering. That was until the country's first multiplex cinema was opened at The Point, and reignited the public's love of the silver screen.

We will now be lobbying both the owners Hammerson and Milton Keynes Council, which will ultimately decide the fate of the structure, to press upon them the importance of The Point and what it stands for.

Hammerson says it has 'continually reviewed the sustainable future of the site', and 'despite ongoing dialogue with operators and retailers over the past few years for the existing premises, interest has been minimal' and that it 'struggles to let the existing space'.

So we want you to suggest ways of increasing demand for space at The Point.

Send us your ideas and we will forward them to Hammerson.

Many readers have been in touch with this paper to say the building is looking dilapidated and needs a bit of tender loving care - this paper will also lobby Hammerson, to ask them to carry out this work and return it to its former glory.

A public exhibition is due to be held of the owner's initial proposals towards the end of May for the public to view the plans - we want you to attend, to make sure your feelings on The Point and its history are known.

This paper will also be carrying out a petition, both on paper and online, and the names will then be handed to Milton Keynes Council should the plans ever reach the ultimate planning stage.

We will be seeking the backing of those in Milton Keynes with the power to say no.

So if you believe this essential piece of city history should be saved, get in touch to tell us your thoughts.

Next week we will be announcing the details of our petitions, and where and when they can be signed.

Get involved - tell Hammerson and Milton Keynes Council to Protect The Point. Tell us what you think - e-mail letters@mk-news.co.uk.

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Bake sale: Iain Stewart MP with Silvia Keen from the MS Society, Cllr Marie Collins MBE, Hayley Studley who is an MK College catering student Hannah Moore from the MS Society, Alex Jones who is a MK College beauty therapy student and Ken Rumsey from the MS Society

MP calls for volunteers for city MS Society

MORE volunteers are needed to help the Milton Keynes branch of the MS Society continue its vital work for people with the condition in the city.

And yesterday Milton Keynes South MP Iain Stewart backed their drive to find more people at a society cake sale at MK College's Bletchley Campus.

The society needs caring and reliable people who have a little spare time and a few skills to offer.

If you are good at admin or organising, have team work talents, or can simply lend a listening ear or spot a good fundraising opportunity, then they need you.

Mr Stewart said: "The MS Society plays a huge role in supporting sufferers and I was delighted to lend my support to their recruitment drive.

"Volunteers are essential to the effective running of support organisations like this, and I would encourage people to volunteer their skills for this worthwhile cause."

Ongoing support and training is provided. For more information, call Hannah on 0208 4380985, or email hmoore@mssociety.org.uk.

Neighbours' border spat costs us £30k

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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A BOUNDARY dispute between neighbours has ended up costing the taxpayer around £30,000.

Last year a review of some of the city's parish council boundaries was carried out by a committee at Milton Keynes Council (MKC).

It was then decided that the Willen, Willen Lake and Newlands areas of Campbell Park Parish Council (CPPC) would be transferred to Great Linford Parish Council (GLPC).

But the decision was challenged in the High Court by CPPC under a judicial review, and judges chose to reverse the MKC ruling.

This has landed MKC, which attempted to defend the judicial review, with the £30,000 bill to cover matters such as legal costs.

And those at GLPC are not happy with the judge's decision.

Chairman Elizabeth McMillan said: "I truly thought the original decision was the right one. It was sensible, logical and in the interests of the local community.

"As a resident of Willen Park I am in Willen on a daily basis, as this is where many of our local amenities are situated. For me personally the decision of the High Court is a great disappointment.

"But I know that Great Linford Parish will take it on board and continue to provide excellent services for its residents."

Parish manager Eirwen Tagg also said the decision had 'upset the apple cart' as future plan had been made on the understanding the original proposal would be upheld.

As part of that original proposal, the Campbell Park grid square has now been transferred away from CPPC to Central Milton Keynes Town Council, and so it was thought the three disputed areas may be geographically better suited to GLPC as it already holds Willen Park within its boundaries.

At the time of going to press, no-one from Campbell Park Parish Council had commented.

MKNEWS BRIEFS

New job club opens
A JOB club will open in the Wylie Centre, Crispin Road, Bradville on Friday. The project from Milton Keynes and Stantonbury Parish Councils will run every Friday from 12.30-3.30pm, and provide support to unemployed residents looking for work or to learn new skills.

Stables IF Festival CD
THE Stables has commissioned a CD of new songs for the IF:2012 Festival. Harbour of Songs is produced by the festival's artist-in-residence Adrian McNally, and will be released on Monday, July 23.

College catering success
MK COLLEGE catering students have bagged 18 medals, including three golds, at the Wessex Salon Culinaire restaurant service competition last month.

Pub's thanks to firemen

STAFF from one pub which was almost completely destroyed by a blaze in December have said a big thank you to the firefighters that helped to save it.

The Swan Inn in Milton Keynes Village, which caught fire on December 7, has presented £2,407.89 to The Fire Fighters Charity.

The money was raised at a ball held in February in honour of the firefighters who prevented the blaze from destroying the historic pub and restaurant.

The cheque was handed over on Friday to firefighters at nearby Broughton Fire Station, who were the first to arrive after on the scene after the fire broke out, by manager Tyrone Bentham and assistant manager Matt Jackson.

At its peak there were more than 40 firefighters and officers at the scene of the fire.

Crews from Bletchley, Great Holm, Newport Pagnell, Buckingham, Aylesbury and Princes Risborough also attended.

All the customers and staff were able to leave the building safely after the fire broke out, and firefighters managed to prevent the fire from spreading to the single-storey restaurant extension.

Firefighter Richard Allman from Broughton fire station said: "We would like to say thank you to The Swan Inn for arranging the ball and for being so generous."

The Fire Fighters Charity is a national charity which provides assistance to serving and retired fire and rescue service staff, their families and dependents.

Fears that drug is funding terrorism

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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IS A drug being sold and taken in Milton Keynes being used to fund terrorism?

That is the worry for some members of a long-running campaign to ban 'khat' from the streets of the UK, including MP for Milton Keynes North Mark Lancaster.

Following seven country-wide arrests on Thursday, Mr Lancaster now believes there is a link between the drug and terrorist activity abroad.

He said: "I have been pushing for evidence which links the terrorist group al-Shabaab to the illegal export of khat from the UK.

"Thursday's news proves that our suspicions are well-founded, and more must be done to expose this worrying link between khat and terrorism."

He added that concerns are spreading among the community that extremists are introducing young Somalis to khat, who become easy targets for terrorist recruitment.

Many of Milton Keynes' Somali citizens, some of the main users of the drug, have cited khat as a key contributor to unemployment and family breakdown.

Adan Kahin, MD of Milton Keynes Somali Community Association, said: "The costs of the drug for our people are effects on social behaviour, separation of families and high unemployment – we have lots of problems."

The leafy plant grown in the Arab Peninsula is chewed to achieve hallucinatory and euphoric effects which can lead to psychosis and other health problems.

Holland is due to enforce a khat ban next month, which will mean the UK is the only country in Europe in which it is legal.

Mr Lancaster has recently spoken with Home Secretary Theresa May, warning that as the sole legal entry into Europe, illegal trafficking and 'khat tourism' are just two of the consequences to be expected.

■ Seven people have been charged with misdescription of parcels for exportation. One of those has been charged with fraud and another with possession of a false passport.

Mark Lancaster with the legal drug khat

MKNEWS BRIEFS

Racists taunt bus driver

A BUS driver was racially abused and spat at after he refused to let a couple board at Midsummer Boulevard on Sunday, at around 11.15am. The man is white, aged between 25 and 30, slim, blond and wearing a dark coloured top. The woman is white, stocky, and was wearing a grey hooded top. Anyone with information should call 101.

NHS staff abused

EIGHT per cent of city NHS Community Health Services staff experienced physical violence from patients, relatives or the public in 2011. The results, compared to the national average of three per cent, are revealed in a recent survey and have sparked a new poster campaign.

Sheep saved from flood

FIREFIGHTERS rescued a sheep which became stuck in floods on Sunday. At around 2.05pm, the water safety unit from Newport Pagnell and a crew from Great Holm saved the uninjured animal from the Great Ouse off Calverton Road, Stony Stratford.

102 kids try sports

ONE hundred and two young disabled people arrived at Stantonbury Campus on Friday to try out a range of activities in a programme by Sport England.

Man slashed in face by gang

A GANG launched an attack on a man who was making his way home.

The 25-year-old was left with a gash under his left eye after the assault in Fishermead on Monday, April 30.

As he was walking through the Xscape building in CMK, he felt a push from behind. When he looked, he saw a couple walk past.

Words were exchanged, and both parties walked to the overbridge opposite the Virgin Active gym towards Fishermead.

As he arrived at Porthleven Place in the estate, the man was approached by five or six Somalian men, one of whom tried to punch him in the face.

The victim ran off past the hair salon, where he was again assaulted by the men.

A sharp object was used, and he received the one-inch gash to his face, which needed hospital treatment.

Sgt Susan Herbert, investigating, said: "I am keen to trace anyone who may have witnessed this incident or the build-up to it. I am particularly keen to speak to the couple, who were of Somalian origin."

Anyone with information should call Sgt Herbert on 101, or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

New award to honour Tony Sale

A GLOBAL award for computer conservation has been established in memory of Tony Sale.

The man world-renowned for rebuilding the Colossus machine at Bletchley Park – the world's first electronic programmable computer which was used for code breaking during the Second World War, – died last year.

Now the Tony Sale Award, which is supported by Google UK, has been set up to recognise an individual or group that has made an outstanding engineering achievement in computer conservation.

David Hartley, a former chairman of the Computer Conservation Society, said: "When Tony Sale died unexpectedly last year, we felt compelled to celebrate his remarkable computer conservation achievements in some special way.

"For more than two decades, Tony made a huge contribution in promoting the public understanding of our computer heritage and in showing that computer conservation is a stimulating voyage of discovery rather than a simple recreation of a machine."

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Let's keep the point

SIR - I think it would be a great shame to knock down The Point, which is one of Milton Keynes' oldest landmarks.

It may not be in pristine condition but could, I am sure, be given a new lease of life with some TLC so that the outer structure is retained, even if the usage inside changes.

I do have my doubts though about whether we really need more retail space. I would prefer to see other uses considered.

Someone asked me recently if we had a civic building such as a town hall, guildhall, civic hall or concert hall and I confessed that, no, we don't. The theatre is only suitable for big theatrical or concert productions and not public meetings or events, and the council offices and council chamber are unsuitable for big public events too.

Maybe it's time we had a central civic multi-purpose building we could all be proud of. Even if it wouldn't have classical architecture of some of England's other great cities, we could do it in our own inimitable MK style.

Back in the 'old days' of the 80s, I used to take our family visitors on a tour of MK's landmarks and The Point was always one of the main attractions.

We don't want to lose one of our main iconic buildings which represents the promise and hope of the early days of Milton Keynes.

Julia Campion
Broughton

Thoughts on extension

SIR - I visited the Midsummer Place extension exhibition today, though in fact there was very little on display. There was no large overall plan or model, but it seems from discussions that the main intention is to block off the main entrance on the station side, said to be 'an awkward corner', by constructing two retail units with 'a dynamic, active external facade created using colour and light'.

Well I think I have a better suggestion which will cost a fraction of the proposed £15million spend.

The area concerned is in fact a draughty freestanding canopy over what was Midsummer Boulevard - the direct route between Campbell Park and the station. After several layout changes it remains a useless space, so just remove the glass facades and give us back our boulevard complete with controlled pedestrian crossing.

At a stroke they will have the 'dynamic, active area' they seem to be looking for. Just wish I had such a simple solution to The Hub and Sainsbury's store on Witan Gate.

John Wilson
Bradwell Common

Flooding options

SIR - As one who used to live not far from the site of that flooding in Little Linford Lane ('Man stuck in car in floods, MK NEWS, May 2), I wonder if the following suggestions are in order. Indeed, why not consider applying them, where possible, to other flood-prone parts of the country?

First, where a piece of ground has a history of flooding after torrential rain, and that the latter is not unusual in the locality, why not sink a borehole down to the aquifer, and insert a concrete pipe therein? Afterwards, to form a filter, let there be placed in the said pipe successive beds of fine sand, coarse sand, and then gravel. Any floodwater would then tend to drain down relatively quickly to the aquifer.

If that suggestion sounds bizarre, I suggest readers take note of the general surface soil quality of the Milton Keynes area.

Basically, it has a clay-like consistency, and when I lived in Goldsmith Drive I found that I had to mix some builder's sand in to make the soil easier to use a garden fork on.

Second, though this will only be of use to the green-fingered, is the provision of rainwater reception tanks to receive rainwater running off the roofs of houses. If such like to grow their own vegetables then this will help supply these crops with water during a dry spell. Again, when I was growing up in Coventry the house I lived in had such a tank.

Barry Gowland
Fishermead

Save our heritage

SIR - I am very pleased that the council has taken this initiative ('A landmark plan for our city heritage, MK NEWS, April 18). The shopping building and boulevards are superb, especially now that the trees are maturing so well.

I do not want to see our heritage assets messed with.

Enough damage has been done to the shopping building with Mickey Mouse tat, cheap shops, and the erosion of our public spaces. I have lived here for 40 years and if these assets continued to deteriorate I think I would have to move elsewhere.

Keith Barrell
Sent by e-mail

Clearing lights situation

SIR - The lack of grid road lights is due to the inconsistent manner in which they were turned off.

Miss Isaacs' letter ('Risks of road blackout should have been seen, MK NEWS, April 11) reflects the situation without the background knowledge.

Every grid road bus shelter retains its lamp post(s), illuminated, even when there is no bus service at all, or no bus service after about 5.30pm.

For example, V5 Great Monks Street has eight bus shelters each way, but only three are served by buses for the entire day (6am-11pm). The lights at the other five contribute to the 'flicker effect' to which your correspondent alludes.

Furthermore, all estate access roads are also illuminated, even when such a junction is sufficiently lit by the first light on the estate road. This includes Great Monks Street again.

Yet another flicker, for which the driver's eye does not have time to compensate.

The result: driver mesmerisation.

Leonard Lean
Greenleys

Jon Brett's City Life

His fortnightly column written exclusively for MK NEWS

MILTON Keynes has more tattoo studios than ever before, figures obtained by this column reveal.

Four years ago there were just 14 approved parlours in MK. Today that figure has rocketed to 41, Milton Keynes Council told me.

More people than ever before are getting 'inked' in the city, and getting started in the business is not as tough as you might think.

Once you've found suitable premises, it's just a case of telling the council and filling in a simple two page form, and off you go!

The online registration document asks tough questions like: "How will you sterilise the needles?" and "What is the location of the sink to be used for washing equipment?" before explaining how to pay the £163 fee to Milton Keynes Council.

And that's it. You're up and running. Ideally you'll have something of an artistic flare and the confidence to leave your mark – permanently – on your clients.

Personally I've never seen the appeal of tattoos, but their booming popularity is clear to see – on the arms, necks, feet, backs and sometimes even faces, of people walking around thecentre:mk.

And most licensed premises also offer body piercing. Of course tattooing and piercing go back thousands of years and fade – much like a cheap tattoo – in and out of popularity.

I actually take some comfort in the thought that Milton Keynes Council, like all local authorities, does take an active interest in making sure premises are fit for purpose.

But I don't think I'll succumb to the lure of the needle anytime soon!

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Man fights off gang in attempted robbery

A MAN managed to fend off a gang as they tried to rob him on Monday night.

At around 9.20pm the 41-year-old victim was walking in an underpass of the H6 Childs Way, heading into Westcroft, when he was approached by four men and one demanded money.

The victim lashed out at two of the men, when a fifth man appeared and ran towards him. Again the man managed to defend himself. The offenders then ran off, and nothing was stolen.

Four of the men are white, aged between 18 and 21. The fifth man is white and around 35 or 40 years old. He is about 5ft 10ins, medium build, with short dark hair and wearing blue jeans and a red top.

DC Cam Reynolds said: "The victim may have given one of the men a black eye or bruising just above the nose. I would like to hear from anyone who has a relative or friend who came home with an eye injury.

"The fifth man may not have been connected with the group and may not have realised that an attempted robbery was taking place. I would like to appeal for that man to come forward."

Anyone with information should call DC Reynolds on 101.

Ready to cook and learn: Jo Bevan, left, with helpers and some mums

Language learning is a 'piece of cake'

BY ADAM GRINSELL

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LEARNING a new language can be lots of fun thanks to a novel idea which combines baking with practising English.

The drop-in event, organised by communityaction:mk, encouraged residents to pop into Duncombe Street Community house for some informal ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) practice.

Bletchley Community Mobiliser, Jo Bevan, said: "Often people complete English courses but they still don't feel confident speaking the language and they feel more comfortable practising in an informal environment."

Polish, Russian and Bengali women attended the unique cake-baking session and were helped out by English speaking volunteers.

Gosia Trazcinska, 30, of Duncombe Street Bletchley, said: "It is a good idea because I can't bake so I would like to learn this as well as being able to practise my English.

"Me and my friends are all from Poland and it is good that we can practice with English people while doing something fun because it doesn't feel so difficult."

After a successful pilot study Miss Bevan hopes that this quirky twist on traditional English classes can become a monthly event. She said: "The idea came from a lady who lives in Bletchley and she went door knocking encouraging people to come along. If the community don't get behind a project it's unlikely to work."

To help the project progress volunteers are being encouraged to get creative and put forward their ideas for future sessions.

Miss Bevan said: "It's not just about people who want to learn English, volunteers are welcome to come and share their skills. Plenty of ideas were put forward like craft sessions."

For more information call 07738405356 or e-mail jo@communityactionmk.org.

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OAPs mark Wildlife Week

RETIRED residents are bidding to attract more wildlife into the grounds of Highclare Nursing Home in Downs Barn. Residents are marking Bupa's Wildlife Week by creating a sparrow-friendly garden with the help of volunteers.

Girl, 14, robbed of phone

A GIRL, 14, had her mobile stolen after two men threatened to stab her on Monday at 7.30pm on Sherwood Drive, Bletchley. One man is white, medium build, with a bright blue cap and hooded grey Nike top. The second is white, slim, wearing a black balaclava rolled up on his head. Anyone with information should call 101.

Get involved in electoral review

RESIDENTS' views are being sought on how many councillors should represent the city.

The independent Local Government Boundary Commission for England is holding a six-week public consultation which will form the first part of an electoral review.

The commission has considered evidence submitted to it by the council and is now asking residents whether they think 51 is the right number of councillors for Milton Keynes.

Max Caller, chairman of the commission, said: "This is your chance to shape your council for the future.

"If you don't agree that Milton Keynes should be represented by 51 councillors, we'd like you to tell us your alternative and why you think there should be more – or fewer – members of the council in the future.

"Once we've taken a view on the number of councillors for Milton Keynes, we will redraw ward boundaries to accommodate those elected members and we'll be asking local people to have their say during that process as well."

The current phase of consultation closes on June 18.

The commission will publish its proposal in July.

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Assessing the damage: Denise Ilett and son Phillip hold up the broken gate with the smashed window of train carriage behind

Another attack by vandals at orchard

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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AN ORCHARD which is open and free for the community to use has had to close for the second time this year thanks to 'mindless vandals'.

Thugs broke into two sheds and a railway carriage at the community orchard, behind Weston Road in Wolverton, last Tuesday, May 1.

They damaged doors and walls using tools taken out of the orchard's toolbox, and set off a foam fire extinguisher covering equipment used to put on community events.

They also grafittied tags at the site, and even damaged coverings which were being used to block up the gaps in sheds where windows were broken in the last incident in February.

The site is now closed until the damaged can be repaired and more security measures put in place.

Orchard secretary Denise Ilett said: "We wouldn't consider closing completely, a lot of people really enjoy it.

"Just because there's a mindless minority that act like complete idiots, they don't represent the majority."

The orchard had only just opened again after February's incident, when it was decided to keep it locked when unattended.

On that occasion the carriage was broken into, windows were smashed and damage was caused to the woodwork and other items.

Cigarette butts were found on the floor and a fire had even been lit in the bird storage bin.

The vandals were likely only there for a short time but volunteers spent week repairing the damage.

Thames Valley Police has confirmed they are investigating the criminal damage. If you have any information call the local neighbourhood team on 101, or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

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Star society's 40th

MILTON Keynes Astronomical Society is this year celebrating its 40th anniversary of watching the skies and is holding a number of events. Head to Rectory Cottages, Church Green Road, Bletchley from 10.30am on Saturday for a series of talks and an exhibition.

Charity art exhibition

A NEW art project has been launched by MK mental health charity Mind which challenges viewers to explore labels and stigma around mental illness. This Is Me opens on Saturday at York House, London Road, Stony Stratford, and will run until the end of July.

Fish 'n' chips for funds

A CITY-based charity is 'frying' to raise more money by asking people to hold a fish and chip supper on Friday, May 18. The Spinal Injuries Association wants people to hold the fundraising suppers at home, work or elsewhere. For more information call 0845 071 4350.

Circus comes to city

ROLL up, roll up, Uncle Sam's Great American Circus is now in Campbell Park until Sunday.

Works to ease traffic congestion

WORKS are about to take place in an attempt to reduce traffic in high-congestion areas of one part of the borough.

Milton Keynes Council has said it is working with contractors and stakeholders in Bletchley to improve traffic management in the area.

Recently the 'B&Q' and Denbigh roundabouts were altered and resurfaced, and the next project as part of the Bletchley Transport Strategy is the double mini roundabout at the intersection of Buckingham Road and Sherwood Drive, near the MK College and police station. The double roundabout will become a single to try to tackle congestion at peak times, and the council has said works will ensure traffic flows through this junction more efficiently.

Once the roundabout is completed, a zebra crossing will be placed at the college end of Sherwood Road.

The area is used by a large number of pedestrians, many of whom attend the college and are crossing this busy road at peak times.

All of these works are expected to be complete by mid June.

Trio's 40 miles for Food Bank

THREE friends are taking on a mammoth challenge of walking 40 miles for charity - despite a previous failed attempt.

James Pearson, Chris Szuca and Ross Edwards will be hiking the huge distance cross-country over two days from May 28 for the Food Bank.

James said: "We tried a practice run last year and had to stop after about 20 miles.

"Since then we have built on our fitness, made some logistical changes and we are ready to undertake the challenge and complete it successfully.

"We would be privileged to raise money for such a worthy cause.

"The work they do is little known, yet it provides families, individuals and the elderly who are in poverty or struggling to make ends meet, with food parcels."

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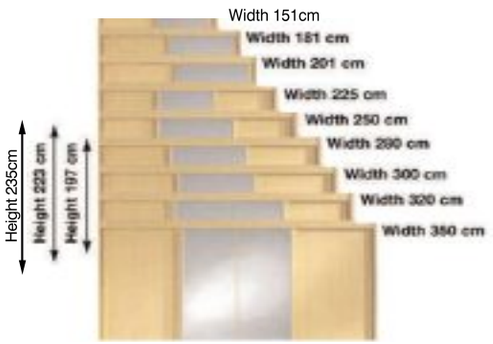

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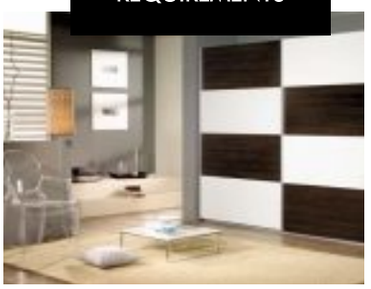

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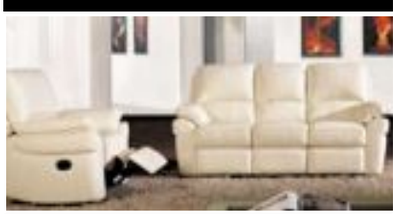

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70th anniversary for former mayor

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AS ANOTHER mayor prepares to take the reins at Milton Keynes Council next Wednesday, a former one is set to celebrate his 70th wedding anniversary.

Bill Jones, now 94, was mayor of Milton Keynes in 1983/84, and this year he will be sharing his platinum anniversary with wife and former mayoress Glenys, 93.

The happy couple, now parents to five, grandparents to 12 and great grandparents to four with two more on the way, first met in 1939, when Bill saved Glenys from a drunk man.

Bill said: "Me and my mate were catching the last bus home one night, and her and her cousin were being annoyed by a drunk man. We got rid of him."

Despite Glenys' cousin also fancying Bill, the pair got married in 1942.

The couple, originally from Aberdare in South Wales, moved to Milton Keynes in 1967 and Bill, who worked in the coal pits in Wales, then became the first Labour councillor for Bletchley when Robert Maxwell was MP.

On their time as mayor and mayoress, Glenys said: "It was very interesting, we met a lot of people from different countries, we went to Buckingham Palace for a garden party, and went to many place."

Above: Glenys and Bill now
Right: On their wedding day

They met many luminaries during their time in the hot seat, such as the Duchess of Gloucester and Bob Monkhouse.

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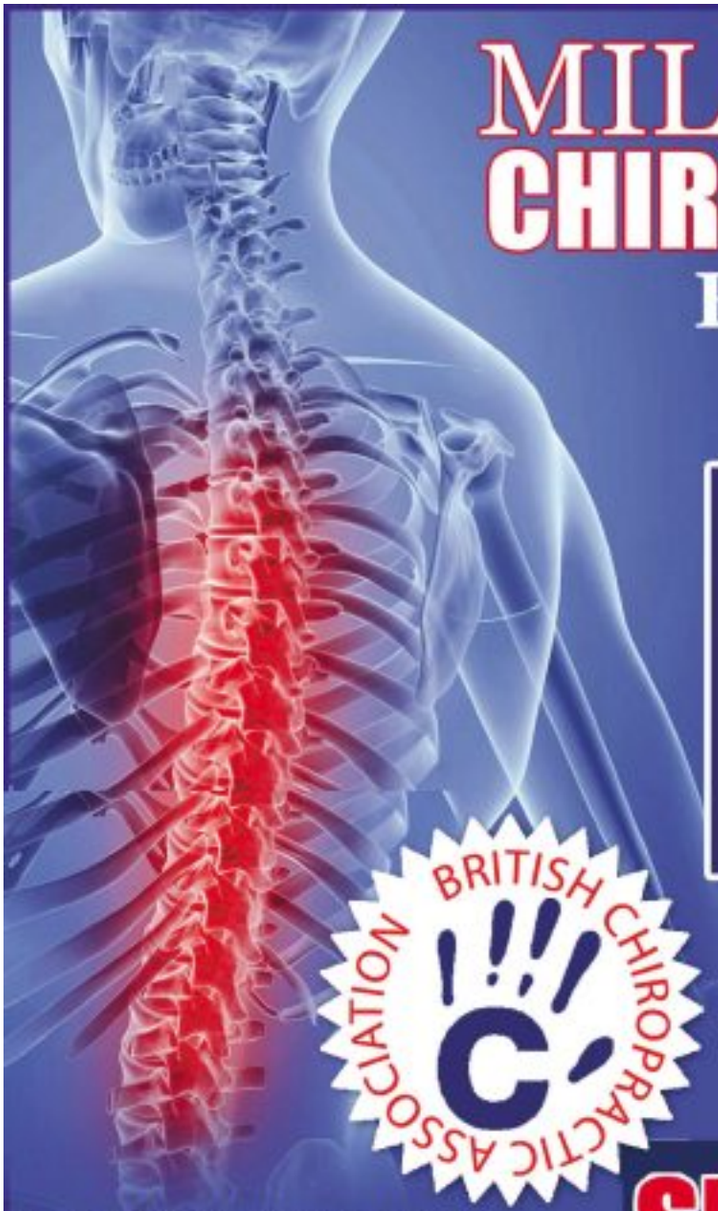

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Trader claims to be from hospital

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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BUSINESSES are being warned to watch out for a bogus trader who says he works for Milton Keynes Hospital.

A number of businesses in the city and surrounding areas have been contacted by someone claiming to work for MK Hospital, stating he can help to promote their company by offering discounts to hospital staff and members for a fee.

Although the hospital does offer local discounts to staff and members, it does not charge businesses for this scheme, and it says it never approaches businesses for staff advertising.

Katie Smith, who owns Rascals Groomer and Pet Boutique in Woburn Sands, was contacted by the fake salesman.

She said: "He said he was calling from the hospital, and wanted to know if I would like to join a discount scheme for staff, but I already do that with the hospital.

"He told me I couldn't be doing that already, and eventually said I would be charged 'x' amount."

The caller even offered to set up a meeting, and then persisted in calling three times a day, every day for a period of around two weeks.

Bogus trader concern: Milton Keynes Hospital

Now trading standards is warning people against the caller.

A spokesman said: "We can confirm we have received a complaint about an individual saying he is selling advertising for Milton Keynes Hospital's staff website which is not the case.

"We wish any business or individual that is approached in this way to contact us with information so we can look into the matter further."

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Grant: Pupils put their thinking caps on and come up with ways to spend £1 million

£1m award needs some creative ideas

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CREATIVE juices are flowing as youngsters help to decide how to spend £1 million.

Big Local, an organisation set up by the Big National Fund, awarded the cash to Conniburrow and now children are being encouraged to conjure up ideas as to where the money should go.

Iris Wright, 11, who attends Southwood School in Conniburrow, said: "I'd like a youth club because there's nowhere to go apart from the park."

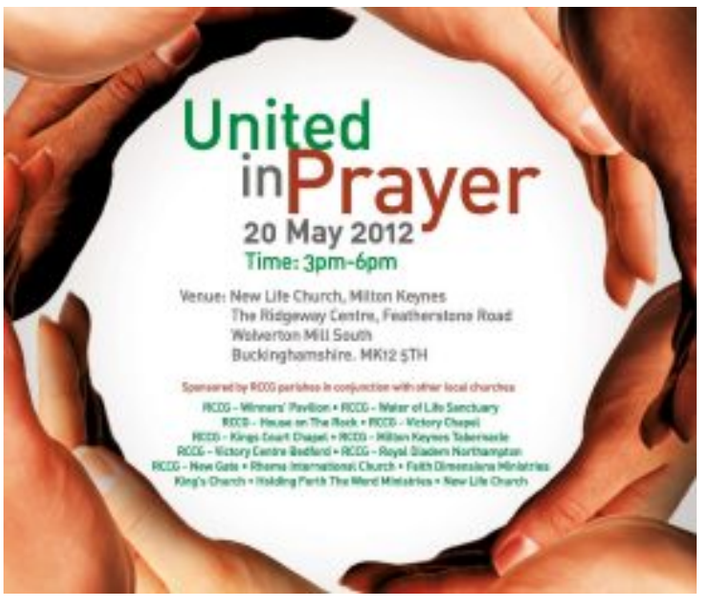
Meanwhile her brother, Jake, 8, has his sights set on sunnier climates, hoping that the money can bring an airport to the area so he can go on holiday.

Chairwoman of the Conniburrow Community Association, Joy Cowell, explained that this is the perfect opportunity for residents of all ages to come together and decide how to shape the future of their community.

She said: "A million pounds sounds a lot but we have to be careful how we spend it.

"It will be spent over the next ten years and we'll see the benefits for ten years after that.

"The children are the torch bearers of the future."



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Unique auction a Rose fundraiser

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AN AUCTION with unique lots is set to be held to raise money for a major piece of public artwork.

If you fancy bidding for a picnic on Willen Island, a day out with the mayor or leader of Milton Keynes Council, or a private recital at your home or dinner party from MK poet laureate Mark Neil, then this is the auction for you.

The organisers are aiming to raise money for the MK Rose, which is backed by this paper and will be built in Campbell Park, replacing the circular pond.

More specifically, the money raised from the auction will go towards creating educational materials for schools and other groups who want to visit the Rose.

Project trustee Gavin Anderson said: "We've got funds in place for the building of the artwork, and we are now raising extra funds for the educational material.

"This will include downloadable work packs for teachers on maths, science, local history, art and culture.

"You will be able to go to the website and download a pack so you can do peer work in the classroom before a visit, or do work on site."

Consisting of 140 pillars, each with a significant date and event engraved into it, the Rose is currently awaiting planning permission and is expected to be completed later this year.

The piece, designed by internationally-renowned artist Gordon Young, will take the shape of a mathematically-perfect 'rose', which will enable school children to learn more about angles and other maths features, as well as the history of each pillar and its significance.

Meanwhile, the website is expected to go live in a couple of weeks, when the auction will open.

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Town-based Railcare gave Commander Patrick Lacey, head of royal travel, with a painting specially commissioned for the Diamond Jubilee. The painting, which depicts the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh, has the famous Royal Train in the background.

The current royal train was made in Wolverton for the Queen's Silver Jubilee in 1972 and has been in use ever since, and there is a dedicated team based at Railcare who maintain the famous train.

Presentation: Mark Lancaster MP, Robert Baxter, Managing Director of RailCare, Commander Patrick Lacey and Iain Stewart MP with the Royal Train picture

A chance to talk to nurses about cancer

BY ANNA MAUREMOOTOO
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VISITORS to Milton Keynes Hospital have an invaluable opportunity to ask nurses any questions they have about cancer.

To mark Nurses Day, the hospital is organising a stand in the main entrance which will be staffed by specialist Macmillan nurses between 6am and 6pm on Friday.

Cancer can be very frightening and often leaves people feeling confused but this is a chance for anyone with concerns, or those who would just like to talk to someone, to have their questions answered by experts.

Fay Grech-Marguerat, the hospital's Macmillan information and support centre nurse, said: "People who require more in depth discussion, information or support will be sign-posted to the moss appropriate specialist nurse to make an appointment."

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Kid designer hooks winner

A TALENTED youngster will see the toy he designed hit shelves around the country later this month after winning a national competition.

Joseph Piggott, 7, who goes to Monkston Primary School, beat hundreds of aspiring young designers in the Content and Calm TravelBug competition with his Peter PirateBug creation.

Joseph said: "I wanted to create a brave Pirate Bug to travel with me and help fight off the baddies."

Lock up to keep the burglars out

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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BURGLARS are taking advantage of homeowners not locking their doors and windows properly.

And now the police are urging residents to make sure they check that they have locked up.

The warning comes as two properties were broken into in the same night because windows and doors were not securely fastened.

Between 9pm on May 1 and 6am on May 2, a house in Rillington Gardens, Emerson Valley was broken into and the car was stolen, along with other items.

In the second incident, at 12.57am on May 2, a window was forced open at a house in Rowsham Dell, Giffard Park.

Three men were disturbed by the residents of the house and they fled the scene. Nothing was taken.

They are all described as in their 20s and all wearing tracksuits.

DC Wendy Cissell, investigating the incidents, said: "If you have a UPVC door this is a reminder that you need to double lock them with a key and ensure that you push up the handle in order to engage the locking pins.

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Dan's bid to break keepy uppy record

BY DAN PALMER
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THE city's football magician is hoping to set another record by walking from London to Manchester while doing keepy uppy.

Dan Magness wants to juggle his way into history by recording the longest distance travelled juggling a football so has set off on the exhausting ten day, 200-mile journey.

He started his keepy uppy trip at Wembley Stadium on Tuesday and later passed through his home of Milton Keynes, paying a visit to his daughter's school Holne Chase Primary.

At present he is currently doing the equivalent of almost a marathon a day and an estimated 400,000 steps, but the gruelling task will be at an end tomorrow when he makes it to Manchester.

It's not just for the record though as Dan is also aiming to raise cash for UNICEF in the run up to this year's Soccer Aid.

Dan said: "This is without a doubt the craziest, most exciting and most challenging thing I have ever done.

"I can't actually get my head around the fact that I am trying to get from London to Manchester while keeping up a ball.

"The trick for me will be to relax, focus on the ball and enjoy it."

Guinness World Records state that 186 miles is the minimum distance needed to set the world record for the longest distance travelled juggling a football and if he completes the trip Dan will add the accolade to a another two records.

He has already achieved the longest time juggling a football (26 hours without dropping it) and longest distance travelled juggling a football non stop (30 miles) but the UNICEF cause is more important.

The global children's charity calls on the public to 'keep something up' and get sponsored to do so in the run up to Soccer Aid, a celebrity football match due to be held at Old Trafford on May 27.

To sponsor Dan visit www.unicef.org.uk/support-dan.

In the air: Dan Magness doing keepy uppy from Wembley to Old Trafford

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Here in Milton Keynes, our weekly food and garden waste scheme provides a quick and easy way to get rid of organic waste – but by buying a home composter you can become a greener gardener and help your own garden to thrive.

Making compost at home is an effective way of reducing your waste and producing a rich material to use in your garden.

Compost is an organic material comprising of garden waste and kitchen scraps which have decomposed to form a rich, soil-like substance. During the composting process, tiny organisms feed on the waste and multiply, breaking down the organic materials.

Home compost is perfect for encouraging healthy growth of plants, shrubs and flowers. With a hosepipe ban in place, you can use your compost as a mulch on your flowerbeds which reduces the need to water.

This week is International Compost Awareness Week (6-12 May) which aims to encourage more people to give composting a go. If you've never tried it, spring is an ideal time to begin – all you need is a small outdoor space and compost bin. It can take up to 12 months for the compost to be ready, so by next season you'll have a fresh batch ready to use on the garden.

Spring composting tips for the garden

Give your garden a spring clean and empty any old pots before you start planting for the season - don't forget to sterilise them. Any old compost can be put back into the compost bin.

Remember to add the right ingredients - a 50/50 mix of 'greens' (tea bags, vegetable peelings, fruit scraps, old flowers, grass cuttings, spent bedding plants) and 'browns' (garden prunings, coffee grinds, tissues and paper napkins, egg boxes, vacuum cleaner dust) makes great compost.

You can also put any dead and unwanted leaves and stems into your compost bin and any weed cleared from a pond can be used to combat dry compost.

Adding meat, fish or dairy products to your compost bin is not recommended, as this can attract unwanted visitors to your garden.

Cooked vegetables and diseased plants should also be kept out as they can spoil your compost mix – put these in you green bin.

After nine months to a year your compost will be mature enough to use. You'll know its ready when the compost has turned into a dark, crumbly soil-like substance.

Don't forget to keep adding greens and browns to top up the bin as the material at the bottom matures.

Spring is the time to prune the hardier members of the shrubbery - the dead and unwanted stems and leaves make a great addition to the compost bin.

Household waste good for composting

If you're clearing out old bank statements and bills, why not shred and add them to the compost heap where they will help the composting process by creating air pockets.

Don't throw away used tea-bags - add them torn up to your compost bin. You could also fill in gaps in your lawn by using grass seeds sown on used tea-bags. Coffee grinds, fruit and vegetable peelings are perfect for making good compost.

Egg shells can be composted - these won't decompose but will be crushed into small pieces adding calcium and minerals to the soil. Milton Keynes Council does not sell compost bins directly, but works in partnership with Getcomposting.com which offers low cost bins via its Getcomposting website – prices start from £16 plus delivery. You can view and purchase the full range of composters, wormeries and water butts at **www.miltonkeynes.getcomposting.com** or you can access the site from the council's recycling website: **www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/recycling** - click on home composting and follow the link to the Getcomposting website.

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Big day arrives for wedding winners

AFTER months of preparation our lucky wedding winners finally tied the knot on Friday.

Thanks to the £20,000 MK NEWS wedding prize, Mark and Sophie Basson were able to splash the cash and make their dream wedding a reality..

Mark said: "Having the financial side sorted out took a lot of stress out of it all."

The blushing bride looked utterly stunning on her special day with help from White Orchid Weddings, situated in the idyllic grounds of Wakefield country courtyard- which provided dresses almost as beautiful as the bride for the bridal party as well as kitting out the groomsmen in dashing suits.

Also making sure everyone looked their best was Lasaderm which provided a £150 voucher to be redeemed against any treatment offered by the clinic.

As Sophie walked down the isle she carried an exquisite bouquet of white roses and calla lilies courtesy of Ruth's Floral Design Studio in Wolverton.

After making their vows, the happy couple travelled to the reception venue in style, choosing a London bus as their quirky method of transport.

The couple's fairytale reception was held at the picturesque Horwood House which laid on a specially requested wedding breakfast of sausage and mash.

Wedding scenes: Mark and Sophie Basson

Opting out of the traditional wedding cake, Mark and Sophie requested a cake made of cheese and thanks to Waitrose this wish was granted.

And with a hog roast buffet provided by Flamed Foods Co in the evening guests were not left feeling hungry. To go alongside all the delicious food, Calcutta Brasserie, in Stony Stratford, kindly provided 25 bottles of champagne.

Sophie said: "Quite simply we had the best day of our lives. Thank you to everyone that was part of it, we couldn't have asked for anything better, an amazing day."

Once all the excitement of the big day had died down the couple had the presents to open and with John Lewis providing a gift list service, starting it off with £200 of vouchers, they were not disappointed. The department store also made sure the mother of the bride was looking her best by providing a fashion advisor to help her pick her £500 outfit.

Mark and Sophie have no reason to be blue now the wedding is over because they're jetting off to Mauritius for their honeymoon thanks to Kuoni and Air Mauritius.

Sophie said: "I have to say that I think this is the most amazing part of the competition because it's truly a honeymoon we would never have had."

To top off this fabulous competition, Whittlebury Hall will provide a meal for two in its Murrays fine dining restaurant on the winning couple's first wedding anniversary.

MK NEWS wishes Mark and Sophie a very happy future and would like to thank all the companies that helped to make the day so magical.

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In pole position for great career

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TEN excited students have arrived at Red Bull Technology's Milton Keynes headquarters to start a three-year apprenticeship.

The young apprentices were selected from more than 700 hopefuls who applied from all over the globe for the coveted positions working with the world's number one Formula 1 team.

Three of the apprentices, who come as far away as British Columbia in Canada, are from the Milton Keynes area - 18-year-old Joshua Williams from Kents Hill, Chris Walton, 20, from Fenny Stratford and Luke Kelly, 21, from Woburn Sands.

Chris said: "I just can't wait to start, this is probably the best thing I can do to push myself and I hope to get a good career from this rather than just a job."

The search for the lucky ten was conducted by city-based TXM Recruit, and involved a thorough process where candidates had to upload an application video to the internet, and carry out a number of tests and an interview.

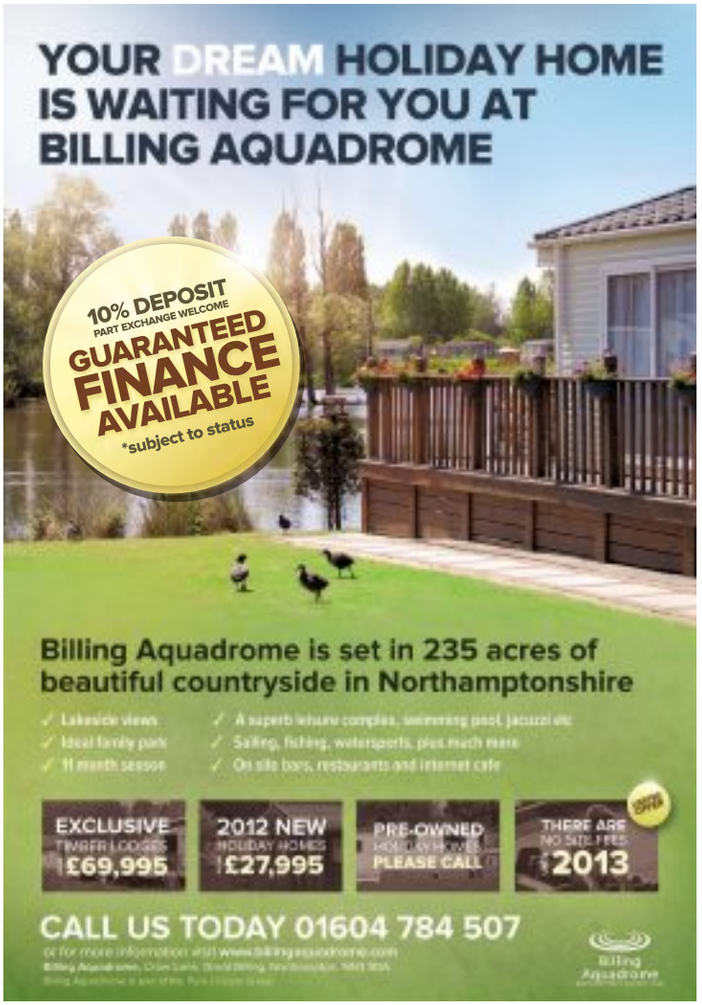
TXM Recruit's Andrew Midgley said: "The 700 were reduced to an initial shortlist of 40 who were invited to the Red Bull Technology factory for a series of practical tests. From the in-depth selection tests the final ten were chosen. This was a tough decision but we are confident that we have selected engineering stars of the future."

Lucky ten: The apprentices that will be working with Red Bull

The apprentices will be studying one day a week at Milton Keynes College, and spend the rest of the time with Red Bull.

Gavin Cross, head of engineering at the college, said: "We are delighted Red Bull Technology, one of the most respected and exciting brands in the world, has chosen to work with Milton Keynes College and TXM Recruit to deliver these apprenticeships.

"It is a true demonstration of their confidence in our teaching and the state of the art facilities that we have at the college's Innovation and Technology Centre."



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Bletchley Park MA for oldest graduate

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A FORMER MI6 electronics engineer has become the UK's oldest new graduate at 90 - after completing a Masters in Intelligence History and Bletchley Park Studies.

Bertie Gladwin, who lives near Bletchley, graduated from the University of Buckingham after embarking on his degree at the age of 89.

And he also gained the qualification together with his wife, Wendy, who started it aged 77.

"I feel very satisfied to think that I've done an MA at my age," he said.

"When you're 90, you sit around and not a lot happens, so it's important to carry on learning and to broaden your horizons.

"I feel very good about it, but really I think I'm just lucky."

Mr Gladwin has been clocking up degrees for years.

At the age of 60 he decided to undertake a BA in Psychology, and by the time he was 70 he had also completed a BSc in Molecular Biology.

He said: "They're fascinating subjects. I did them just because I was interested in them and wanted to know more about them."

And he says it was his wife who encouraged him to take the Masters.

"She said it was a good way to round off my academic career, and would give me a good sense of accomplishment.

"Plus I had worked at the Government Communications Centre for 20 years, so I had the relevant experience."

Mr Gladwin wrote his dissertation on the use of radio to the underground movements in Second World War France, and he was awarded a distinction for it.

Professor Anthony Glees, head of the MA degree, said that every student had brought something original and special about themselves into class.

He added: "Bertie Gladwin came to us with shedloads of both. He relishes political debate and certainly knew how to stir up a storm in seminars."

Mr Gladwin's advice to anyone considering a degree is to go for it at any age. "It's never too late to learn," he said.

UK's oldest graduate: Ninety-year-old Bertie Gladwin

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Designer set for dream adventure

BY ANNA MAUREMOOTOO
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A GAME designer is on the brink of success after winning the chance to see his creation come to life.

Jonny Robinson, 23, of Broughton, led team Commando Kiwi to victory at the Gadget Show Live with the game 'The Warlock of Firetop Mountain: Lost Chapters'.

Winning Make Something Unreal, the X Factor of the gaming world, has earned Commando Kiwi an Unreal Engine 3 license for iOS.

This will enable them to make games on the iPad, iPod Touch and iPhone.

Mr Robinson, who is currently on placement at DR Studios as a junior game designer, said: "It's an amazing opportunity; it still hasn't really sunk in yet.

"I'm just dead proud of my team, they've worked really hard and this competition has changed our lives forever."

Four teams presented their games, which were all based on books in the 'Fighting Fantasy' range, to compete for the prize.

Those looking for fun and adventure can find it in 'The Warlock of Firetop Mountain: Lost Chapters' as they fight the warlock in the third-person tap to move game.

Over the moon: Fantasy game makes dreams a reality for Jonny Robinson

Commando Kiwi say they tried to keep the elements from the book which involved a mix of skill and luck.

All of the teams had been developing their games through the game training organisation train2game.

Mr Robinson said: "I probably wouldn't have had the chance to do something like this without train2game. I lost my job in Hull and I saw an advert for Train2game and I thought it sounded like something I'd really like to do."

Judge and co-creator of 'Fighting Fantasy', Ian Livingstone, said: "Commando Kiwi really captured the essence of 'The Warlock of Firetop Mountain' with great gameplay and visual.

"It's remarkable what these teams were able to produce in such a short period of time."

ELECTION RESULTS

Local election Ward results

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Bradwell Ward
Pauline Ann Wallis – Labour
Campbell Park Ward
Paul Joseph Williams – Labour
Denbigh Ward
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Eaton Manor Ward
Alan Robert Webb – Labour
Emerson Valley Ward
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Loughton Park Ward
Don Hoyle – Conservatives
Middleton Ward
Peter Thomas MacDonald – Conservatives
Newport Pagnell North Ward
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Wolverton Ward
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Woughton Ward
Hannah Frances O'Neill – Labour

Labour celebrate successes

BY ANNA MAUREMOOTOO
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Happy times: The Labour party celebrate their results

LABOUR had reason to celebrate on Friday after winning seven seats on Milton Keynes Council.

Their success in the city reflects a national mood which saw the party gain a tremendous number of seats up and down the country.

Leader of the Labour group, Norman Miles, said: "Clearly people on the doorsteps are in tune with what we're saying, they're in tune with our values and they're not in tune with either part of the coalition's values.

"We will now be a very strong team on the council and we will continue to follow a very strategic line to get the city moving forward whilst addressing very important local concerns."

Many of the Labour gains are new faces on the council, including Stantonbury's councillor Margaret Burke.

She said: "I'm so grateful to the people that voted for me, it's marvellous. I'm a bit frightened but I'll work hard.

"I don't intend to just do what the Labour party want me to do, I believe in doing what the residents want.

"It was a shock to win the seat; I think if you expect these things you get complacent."

Although the Conservative party lost one seat overall they maintained control of the council with a slim four-seat advantage.

Leader of the Conservative group, Andrew Geary, said: "If someone had told me on Thursday night we'd be at a net loss of one, given what happened across the country, I'd have been happy.

"Even in the seats we lost we've kept Labour working, we've kept them tight, they know we're there and we will be back.

"The Labour party has their rightful place as the opposition because they've been that for the last 12 months anyway. The seats that I thought would be close were close, a little bit surprised to lose in Bletchley, disappointed more than surprised but delighted with our wins in Walton Park and Middleton."

The Walton Park seat was won by Alice Bramall who is looking forward to getting stuck into her new role.

She said: "It's a lot of hard work that's gone in over a very long period working with Councillor Lee Barney and lots of residents and it's just a fantastic opportunity now to do some fantastic work for the residents of Milton Keynes."

The Lib Dems were not the only party left licking their wounds on Friday; Liz Cambell lost her seat leaving the Green Party with no representative on the council.

And it was also a bad day for the independent councillors with Philip Gerrella, Mike Barry and Isabella Fraser all losing their seats.

Just 29.4 per cent total of the registered voting population turned out at the polls on Thursday which was 2.6 per cent lower than the national average.

Cllr Andrew Geary added: "There's a mood against national politics and I don't think that's just one party, its all parties."

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Defeated: Sam Crooks

Lib Dems need new leader

BY ANNA MAUREMOOTOO
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FOR the second year running the Liberal Democrats are left searching for a new leader following Sam Crooks' defeat during last week's local elections.

He was pipped to the post by just four votes in the Middleton ward by Conservative candidate Peter McDonald.

Last year Mr Crooks replaced Cec Tallack as leader of the party after the Campbell Park councillor narrowly escaped being ejected from the council, holding onto his seat by just two votes.

But losing the notoriously close Middleton seat has meant that Mr Crooks, a former leader of Milton Keynes Council, has had to relinquish his role.

When asked what this meant for the Lib Dems he said: "I think we have to look at the city as a whole and the very clear message from the electorate is that it has moved to the Labour Party which has made really very considerable gains reflecting the national situation."

The battle for the Middleton seat is always tight and tensions were high on Friday with a call for votes for this ward to be recounted.

Mr Crooks said: "I was prepared to lose the seat because don't forget the Conservative in this seat last year had a majority of 836 so at least I've taken 830 of them."

However, being prepared has not made the loss any less disappointing for the long standing councillor.

He said: "I really enjoy working with people in Middleton and I'll be sorry not to have that opportunity."

But this does not spell the end for Mr Crooks who hopes to remain involved in the local community. He explained: "There is one great advantage of not being elected and that is you're able to do all the things that you can't do when you're a councillor and certainly I want to do some of those things and then we have full elections throughout the city in 2014 so it's not as if you are out for four years."

The Lib Dems also lost their Wolverton seat, previously held by Mike Galloway, reducing their number to 15.

Applauding: Mick Legg is congratulated by Nigel Long, Kevin Wilson and Norman Miles

Watching: MPs Iain Stewart and Mark Lancaster at the election count

Adding up: People get to work counting the votes for each ward

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Fundraising duo aim high

Reaching new heights: Barclays employees set themselves an exciting charity challenge

BY ANNA MAUREMOOTOO
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DEDICATED fundraisers have set their sights high and are attempting to scale Mount Kilimanjaro in aid of Milton Keynes Hospital's Touch of Pink Appeal.

Debbie Williams and Lyn Hanson, employees at Barclays Bank in Bletchley, are showing their support for the MK NEWS-backed appeal to raise £80,000 to fund a digital X-ray machine.

This is a cause close to Mrs Williams's heart after she experienced a breast cancer scare two years ago.

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She said: "The staff at the hospital were amazing from the moment I got there."

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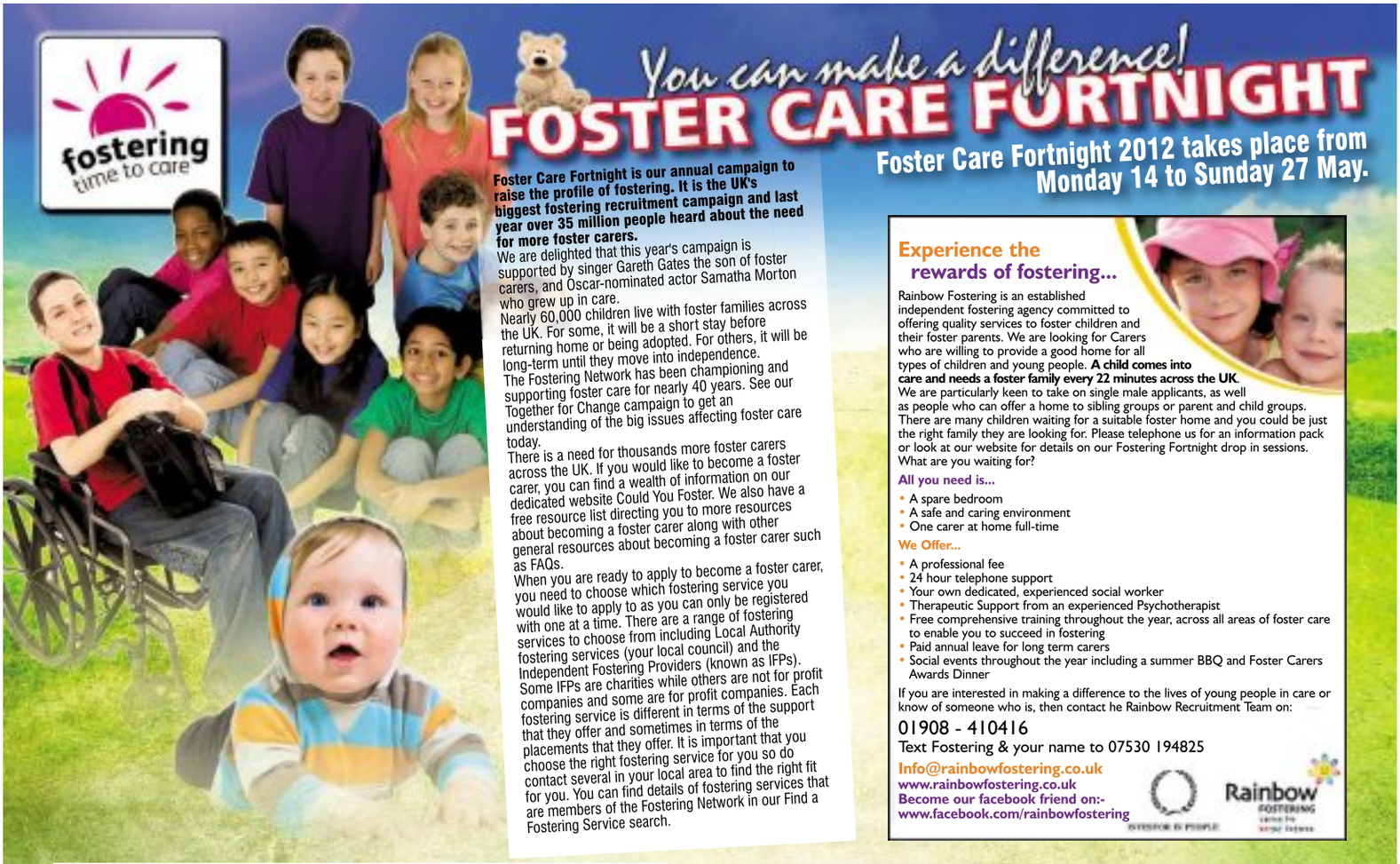

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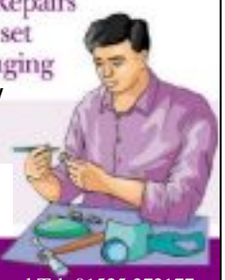

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THE ZOMBIES

Tuesday, 8pm

HELMED by founding members Rod Argent and singer Colin Blunstone, the famous 60s band is stopping off in Milton Keynes on its latest UK tour.

Fifty one years after the band originally got together, the group forms one of the cornerstones of British rock, and they now even have their own blue plaque outside the pub where it all started - The Blacksmith's Arms in St Albans.

The band scored US hits in the mid and late 1960s with She's Not There, Tell Her No, and Time of the Season, and their 1968 album Odessey and Oracle is ranked 80 on Rolling Stone magazine's list of the 500 Greatest Albums of All Time.

In a recent Top 100 British Albums chart, featured by NME, Odessey and Oracle was placed at number 32.

Cited as influences by many major artists such as Badly Drawn Boy, Paul Weller, Billy Joel and the Arctic Monkeys, Zombies' songs are regularly covered live by artists like Beck and Belle and Sebastian, not to mention being used in films and TV shows such as Kill Bill 2 and The Simpsons – evidence that their music really is as fresh and relevant today as it ever was.

Tickets are £23.50, available from www.stables.org or 01908 280800.

THE CRAUFURD ARMS

HEART OF A COWARD

Saturday, 7.30pm

THE city-based band play this hometown show to display some of the tracks from their debut album, Hope & Hindrance.

The album has been almost two years in the making, and despite numerous hurdles thrown in the band's way, they battled on to create what is described as 'a masterpiece'.

After recent performances including Hevy Festival 2011 in Kent, Heart of a Coward are being touted as one of the UK's hottest prospects, with more exciting announcements to made over the coming months.

One of the UK's favourite cutting edge metal bands among music fans and industry alike, the group will be joined on the night by special guests Lay Siege, Invocation and Constellations.

Tickets are £6, from www.thecraufurdarms.com.

FRINGE MK PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

IN 6 FRAMES PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION

Saturday-Friday, June 1

THE exhibition, which launches the Milton Keynes Summer of Culture, presents the work of several photographers who have selected up to six of their most personal works.

The images may be those which have the most intimate and important meaning to them and that are not normally shown to the public.

The exhibitors, including MK NEWS photographer Andy Handley, are a mix of press and fine art photographers, all of whom live or are based in the Milton Keynes area, but whose work takes them all over the world - imaging for magazines, newspapers, galleries, agencies and many other media outlets.

The exhibition will be held at FRINGEMK:Westbury, utilising the Barn and Garage Galleries as well as the main house.

It will be open every weekday between 10am-4pm, and at weekends between 10am-5pm.

MK GALLERY

SCRATCH NIGHTS: TEMPORARY SITES (A PROPOSAL)

Tomorrow, 6.30pm

OPEN File is a curatorial project, existing as an ongoing series of events, cumulative publications and an online archive.

This is the first of two Scratch Night events held by Open File, which will include a screening programme and a publication in three parts, all alongside Olivia Plender's current exhibition at the gallery. Staged in Olivia's 1970s style TV studio installation called Open Forum, Temporary Sites (A Proposal) will explore the idea of exhibition making as a temporal space as well as a physical space.

FRIDAY NIGHT FILM: SYLVIA PANKHURST, EVERYTHING IS POSSIBLE

Friday, 6.30pm

THIS feature length documentary chronicles the life of suffragette and revolutionary Sylvia Pankhurst, tracing her ideas, campaigns and political life. Tickets £5 (concessions £3). Pre-book on 01908 676 900.

CITY DISCOVERY CENTRE

THINKING BIG - ARCHIVE EXHIBITION

Friday to Friday, May 18

A WEEK-long exhibition of fascinating images, documents and objects will be held within the Milton Keynes City Discovery Centre archive.

The title reflects the initial ambition of those planning Milton Keynes in the 1960s, and the aim is to showcase examples of their inspiration from other continents.

The exhibition will showcase architectural models, documents, plans, images and press coverage relating to the creation of Milton Keynes, with a focus on the big projects and concepts that have shaped the city. Family-friendly activity trails will be available throughout.

The exhibition is open daily from 10am-4pm, with a late night opening on Friday until 7.30pm.

A special family-friendly day with arts and craft activities inspired by the exhibition will run on Sunday, 11am-3pm, with free entry.

An evening of talks will be held on Thursday, May 17, featuring Derek Walker (the first chief architect of Milton Keynes) and Vicky Lamburn, a photographer who has captured many beautiful images of the city. Free entry, booking highly recommended on education@mkcdc.org.uk and 01908 227229.

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DIRTY DANCING

STEPPING into Jennifer Grey's shoes and taking on the role of 'Baby Houseman' is no mean feat but after receiving endless standing ovations young up-and-coming actress Emily Holt has proved that she's more than capable of doing the part justice.

With such a huge Dirty Dancing fan base, the musical, and Emily, had a lot to live up to and, of course, she was nervous when she first stepped on stage as Baby.

She said: "At first I was a bit intimidated by the role but now I love it."

Just as her character enters the Kellerman's resort an innocent daddy's girl to be swept up in a whirlwind of passion and romance, Emily has been thrust into a world of fanaticism having been relatively unfamiliar with Dirty Dancing before landing her first major part.

She explained: "I wasn't a huge fan before I got the part. I always feel really bad saying that. I'd seen the film but I didn't know all the words. Now having been part of it I can understand why people love it so much."

Paul-Michael Jones (Johnny) Emily Holt (Baby) and Charlotte Gooch (Penny) in Dirty Dancing

The flurry of excitement surrounding the arrival of Dirty Dancing in Milton Keynes has been indescribable but despite winning over the hearts of audiences worldwide there are still those who are skeptical that the film can transition smoothly onto stage.

However, Emily is confident that if those cynics come to the show they will be cheering just as loudly as all the other fans come the curtain fall.

She said: "The audience have to remember that it's a theatre not a film set and there's no fast editing but this show is unlike any other show because there's usually no more than three sets but in this production the set is changing all the time.

"Every aspect of the film is on the stage."

Dirty Dancing will be at Milton Keynes Theatre until May 26. Tickets cost between £10 and £48.50 from 0844 8717652 or www.atgtickets.com/miltonkeynes. Booking fee applies.

COMPETITION

CELEBRATE the arrival of spring in style with The Living Room's new fixed-price menu.

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sea bass on tomato, lime, chilli and coriander dressed noodles.

And to finish, how about blackberry and crème de mure crème brulée, or chocolate truffle cake and dairy vanilla ice-cream with crushed 'hokey pokey'?

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The closing date for entries is Wednesday, May 9 and the winners will be notified. The editor's decision is final.

Terms and conditions:

Two courses per person included, drinks are not included. Prize must be redeemed by May 31, 2012. The Living Room, Manhattan House, 401 Witan Gate, Milton Keynes, MK9 2BQ.

You can visit The Living Room's website at www.thelivingroom.co.uk/location/milton-keynes, follow @thelivingroom_ on Twitter or search for The Living Room Restaurant and Bar on Facebook.

STANTONBURY

HARPIST Rhian Hanson, from the Rhondda Valley in South Wales, is set to wow audiences at Stantonbury Campus Theatre when she performs with the Milton Keynes City Orchestra in 'Serenade for Strings' on Saturday at 7.30pm.

Rhian has a brilliant career embracing a number of exciting projects, most notably with the BBC Symphony Orchestra, English National Opera and the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra.

She was also the associate harpist to the West End musical My Fair Lady and has given chamber music concerts at the Cheltenham International Festival, Brighton, Canterbury and Enderlin Festivals.

Tickets cost £20, £5 for under 18s from the Milton Keynes City Orchestra Box Office 01908 558311 or www.mkco.org

FILMS

JEFF, WHO LIVES AT HOME (15)

Synopsis: Light-hearted comedy following two brothers. Who's in it: Jason Segel, Ed Helms, Susan Sarandon

HOLLYWOOD has poked fun at loveable losers for a long time and will probably continue doing so forever.

In Jeff, Who Lives At Home, directors the Duplass Brothers bring their very own down on his luck character to the big screen. For some reason, people love to laugh at grown men who still live with their mothers despite reaching their thirties, and that's where Jeff comes in.

He spends most of his days sitting in the basement smoking, while building up an unhealthy obsession about synchronicity – a theory that different events are all somehow connected. The role has been perfectly filled by Jason Segel of How I Met Your Mother fame who could easily make a career out of slipping into the shoes of easily likable characters who appear to be both clueless and charming at the same time.

Jeff is ordered out of the house to buy some glue by his long suffering mother when he bumps into brother Pat (Ed Helms).He decides that there is some important meaning attached to running into his sibling like this (the synchronicity thing, remember?) and decides to get involved when he discovers that his brother is having some marital problems.

They spot Pat's wife with another man and decide to launch a comical and often farcical quest to find out if she is having an affair.

What follows is a buddy movie which is full of warmth and general loveliness which will warm the cockles of even the most depressed of souls.

The Duplass Brothers have a track record of making films about ordinary people and that is what makes their work so successful – it's nice to take a break from the unrealistic or futuristic every now and then to relax with a film which is simply down to earth.

The film will provide more wry smiles than out and out belly laughs and there's no getting away from the fact that this is another film about a middle aged loser finding a purpose.

But it makes an impression and is a good reason to get out of the house.

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ARTS AND HERITAGE

ORGANISATIONS across Milton Keynes are coming together to encourage people to explore something different.

Arts and Heritage Open Places is ten days of exciting events including workshops, talks, tours, performances and exhibitions.

FRIDAY, MAY 11

BLANK Canvas Art Exhibition. Photography by artists from across Milton Keynes with a DJ and licensed bar. From 7pm at The Buszy, Elder Gate. Entry is free.

SATURDAY, MAY 12

CRAIG Greene-Piano. The Royal College of Music pianist will be playing four pieces. He is the current Artist in Residence and Principal Guest Conductor of the Clic Sargent Symphony Orchestra. From noon at Milton Keynes City Church. Tickets £5, £1 for children.

SUNDAY, MAY 13

MUSICAL Summer Sunday. A musical event for the family to enjoy. Some shelter will be provided but bring seating, blankets and a picnic. From 3pm at Wolverton Secret Garden. Entry is free.

MONDAY, MAY 15

COLLABORATIVE Graffiti. Two graffiti artists create an original work. Artists will lead a drawing session encouraging the creation of a collaborative and experimental graffiti drawing. From 2pm at University Centre MK. Entry is free but spaces are limited.

TUESDAY, MAY 15

PERCUSSION in Open Places. Milton Keynes City Orchestra invite participants to take part in demonstrations of orchestral percussion, get involved through workshops and take advantage of unique music making opportunities. From 1pm at Conniburrow Sure Start Centre. Entry is free, Open to residents of Conniburrow, Bradwell Common, Downs Barn, Central Milton Keynes and Campbell Park.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

THE Drawing Machine-Get Drawn into the Frame. An afternoon of theatrical drawings using dramatic lights to cast shadows, play around with perspective and spatial awareness and have your shadow drawn into the background. From noon at the Chrysalis Theatre. Entry is free.

THURSDAY, MAY 17

YASMIN Issaka-Acoustic. Yasmin is at the beginning of her musical career but has a hypnotic and quasi-structural timbre to her voice which will entrance. From 1pm at University Centre MK. Entry is free but spaces are limited.

Campbell Park art – see Sunday

FRIDAY, MAY

UNDER 18s' Open Mic Night. Soft drinks and refreshments available. Everyone is welcome. From 7pm at The Buszy. Entry is free.

SATURDAY, MAY 19

DANCING in the Moonlight. A night of dance that will definitely get you up and moving. Set in the beautiful garden of the Old Rectory, we invite you to have a go at three very different dance styles in one night. If you don't want to dance you are welcome to watch. From 7pm at Inter-Action MK. Entry is free.

SUNDAY, MAY 20

DISCOVER Your Parks: Art Walk. Check out the fabulous art within Campbell Park with this stroll, led by a Ranger. Meet in Campbell Park Pavilion car park at 10pm. £1 entry. Booking is required. Call 01908 255 379 or e-mail events@theparkstrust.com
To view a full programme listing visit www.mksummerofculture.co.uk

STONY **AHA!**

FOR the second year the Stani Gallery is promoting the Stony AHA! – an Arts and Heritage Appreciation in the town.

This year the main events are coinciding with the Arts & Heritage Open Places programme which runs from May 12-20.

Stony AHA! is helping to raise funds and awareness for various local charities, community needs and venues.

The main charity is The PCD Family Support Group who support families across the UK who are affected by or suspected of having this condition.

SATURDAY, MAY 12

A WALK in History. A guided walk along the streets of Stony Stratford by Paul Woodfield.
Meet at 2.30pm at Market Square. Tickets £5. Book in advance at the Stani Gallery.

SUNDAY, MAY 13

BIG Dreams Display Artwork produced with artist Jonny Boatfield displayed until May 19 at St Mary and St Giles Church. Entry is free.

MONDAY, MAY 14

PAINT and a Pint. Artist Derek Daniels paints in Public at the Fox and Hounds Starts 8am. Entry is free.

TUESDAY, MAY 15

BEDECKED with Spangles & Bells. Illustrated talk of Morris costumes by Chloe Metcalfe. Starts at 7.30pm at St Mary and St Giles Church donation requested.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

HAYES Boatyard. An art history talk by Alison Leighton. 7.30pm at St Mary and St Giles Church Hall. Advanced booking is essential. Tickets available from The Stani Gallery. A £2 donation is requested.
Thursday, May 17 SHIP of Dreams. Musical memories of 1950s' Russell St School days by Dr Kenny. Starts 7.30pm at Cock Hotel. Entry is free.

Morris Men - see Tuesday

FRIDAY, MAY 18

STONY Come Dancing. Dance to music from the 40s and 50s in aid of Teds Gang. Starts at 7.30pm at York House. Tickets £7 from York House.

SATURDAY, MAY 19

NIGHT on the Tiles. Decorative tiles, take and exhibition plus Ottoman dinner. Starts at 7pm at York House. Advanced booking is essential. Tickets £10 from Well Past It in Timor Court.

SUNDAY, MAY 20

MOSAICS Workshop Exhibition. By Mell Watts. Starts at 10am at York House. Entry is free.
To view a full programme listing visit www.stonyaha.co.uk.

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DAILY LIFE

THURSDAY

BTCV Green Gym, City Discovery Centre. An exciting project to revamp the garden in front of the farm house to its former glory. Activities will include cutting back brambles, resculpting hedges, cleaning the surrounding wall and planting new herbs. 9.30am-1pm, free. Meet in the centre's car park, off Alston Road at Stacey Bushes roundabout on Monks Way.

FRIDAY

FINISHING the Platform Clearance with BTCV Railway Walk Experience volunteers. Have another go at the topsoil, weeds and ivy on the currently-used part of Great Linford platform. Meet in Broadway Avenue, between Harvard Close and Snowshill Court, Great Linford. 10.30am-3pm.

MIRIAM Backhouse, Song Loft, The Cock Hotel, Stony Stratford. Once likened to Joan Baez and ranked alongside Maddy Prior, Miriam is her own person with a wonderful gentle style and superb voice that will haunt you forever. 8.25pm, £7

SATURDAY

MAY Fair, Christ the Vine Church, Jonathans, Coffee Hall. Free admission, bacon rolls, barbeque, bouncy castle, lots of children's activities, cake and craft stalls and lots more. 11am-2pm.

LOVE Bletchley Day, Queensway, Bletchley. More than 40 additional market stalls are booked, and there are activities ranging from cookery demonstrations, reptile shows, a fashion show, court room drama, and a treasure trail for children. Free parking, 9am-4pm.

OVER 50s events information session, Age UK MK meeting room, High Street, Stony Stratford. Learn about clubs, projects, activities, training and volunteering opportunities for older people in Milton Keynes. 10am-1pm.

SUNDAY

CYCLETTA, Woburn Abbey. Part of a series of women-only bike rides, supported by Olympic gold medalist Victoria Pendleton. Join Victoria on this 40km or 60km bike ride starting at the Abbey. For more information go to www.cycletta.co.uk for details on how to enter.

MAYOR'S Charity Cricket Match, Campbell Park. From 2pm, free, no need to book.

MK Ramblers,Hertfordshire Way Part 3: Meet at 8am at the Windmill car park Caldecotte Lake. An 11-12 mile linear walk from Willian to Wallington. Half empty cars essential. 07743 133858

STOP Stop and Liberation, Woughton Leisure Centre. Two live rock bands in the theatre at lunchtime, 1pm. Free entry, families welcome.

PUB Quiz, The Plough, Simpson. 8.30pm, £1 per person. Call 01908 691555 for details.

MONDAY

PUB Quiz, The Barge Inn, Woolstone. 9pm start, pit your wits against the city's brightest and best quizzers. £1 per person.

TUESDAY

TWITTER Taster Session with MK and North Bucks Chamber of Commerce, Harben House, Newport Pagnell. Learn how your business can make the most out of this effective yet inexpensive communications tool, with a half-day course. 9-11.30am, members £35, non-members £45 from 01908 259000 or theevents@mk-chamber.co.uk.

PUSH 'n' Tone, Caldecotte Lake. Push your buggy and tone your body. A fun outdoor exercise class for new parents involving a combination of brisk walking and simple toning exercises. Participants must have had six-week postnatal check before attending a class. From 10am, £2.50 per person, meet in Caldecotte Lake car park behind Windmill pub, Lakeside Grove.

WEDNESDAY

SCREAMING Blue Murder, The Stables Stage2, Wavendon. Presenting the comedy stars of tomorrow today. Compere Andrew Bird introduces rising star Matthew Osborn and headliner Steve Best. 8.45pm, tickets £10 in advance from 01908 280800, £12 on the door.

MK Ramblers, meet at 6.45pm in Great Brickhill by the Old Red Lion pub for a 6 mile circular walk. 07941 235776

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WHY not slip on your walking shoes this month and explore MK's miles of amazing parkland?

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The festival's 14 walks are grouped into three difficulty levels – easy, medium and hard – so there's something for all ages and abilities.

Specialist walks this year include two history walks and a photography walk starting at the beautiful Tree Cathedral at Newlands. There are also opportunities to see the newly renovated Iron Trunk Aqueduct, track the original footprint of Milton Keynes before the new city sprang into being, or try out orienteering or Nordic walking.

Dogs are invited on some walks and there is a cycle ride too.

Each walk is guided by an experienced walk leader from The Parks Trust or its partners including Reactivate Milton Keynes.

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There is also an Art in the Park Weekend, part of Art and Heritage Open Places, with two fantastic art walks on Sunday, May 20. On these two ranger-led strolls you can explore the fabulous art within Campbell Park at 10am or seek out the wonderful wooden sculptures in Linford Wood at 1pm.

For more details on walking in the parks as well information on other events, visit www.theparkstrust.com.

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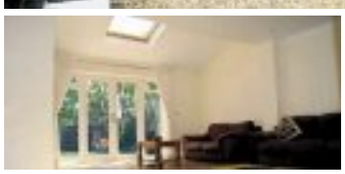

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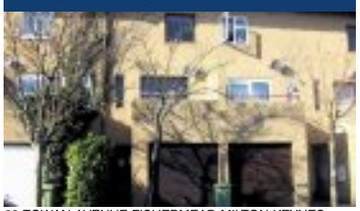

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Garage

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Conservatory
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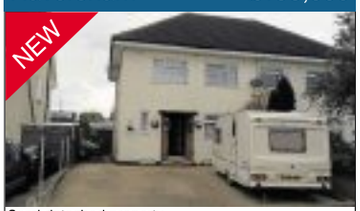

Semi detached property
Three bedrooms
Conservatory
Downstairs cloakroom
Tandem garage
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Grendon Guide Price £565,000

Four Bed Detached
Grade II Listed
Village Locaction
Original Features
Various Reception Rooms
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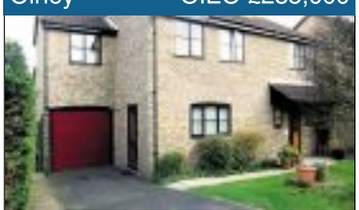
Olney OIEO £285,000



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Four/Five Bedroom
Ensuite to Master
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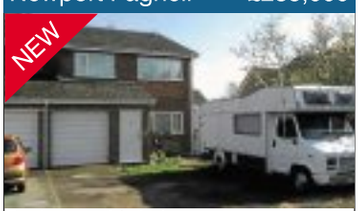
Newport Pagnell £285,000



Four bedroom detached
Separate reception rooms
Kitchen/breakfast room
Downstairs cloakroom
Garage and gardens
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Newport Pagnell £290,000

Four Bed Detached
Cloakroom & Utility
Various Reception Rooms
Master En Suite
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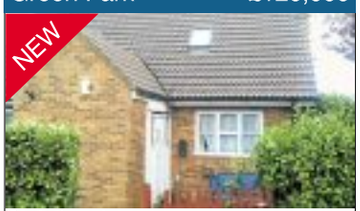
Green Park £120,000



One bedroom house
Lounge/diner
Kitchen
Shower room
Garden
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Re-fitted bathroom
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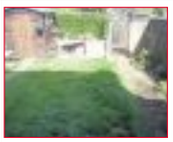
SHENLEY LODGE £147,500

NEW

- 2 bedrooms
- End of terrace house
- Lounge through diner
- Sealed unit double glazing
- Gas to radiator heating via replacement boiler
- Off road parking
- No upper chain

NEW BRADWELL £130,000

NEW



- 3 bedrooms
- End of terrace property
- UPVC double glazing
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Lounge through diner
- Gas to radiator heating via replacement boiler
- Enclosed rear garden

DEANSHANGER £230,000

- 4 bedroom semi detached
- En-suite to master bedroom
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Kitchen with built in oven & hob
- Gas to radiator heating
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Utility room
- Off road parking & single garage

WOLVERTON £165,000

- 3 bedroom
- Re-fitted kitchen
- Lounge through dining room
- Upstairs shower room
- Downstairs bathroom
- Gas to radiator heating
- Front & rear gardens
- Off road parking

WOLVERTON £157,500

REDUCED

- 3 bed mid-terrace property
- Re-fitted kitchen with built in appliances
- UPVC double glazing
- Re-fitted bathroom
- Gas to radiator heating via replacement boiler
- Lounge through diner
- One and a half width garage

PROPERTY OF THE WEEK

TATTENHOE £379,995

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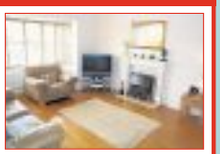


- 4 bedroom detached
- Three separate reception rooms
- En-suite to master bedroom
- Sealed unit double glazing
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Utility room
- Fitted kitchen with integrated appliances
- Detached double garage
- Situated on a large corner plot

WOLVERTON OIEO £150,000

- 3 bedrooms
- 1930's semi detached
- Separate reception rooms
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Utility room
- Part double glazing
- Gas to radiator heating
- Southerly facing rear gardens

PEARTREE BRIDGE £600 pcm

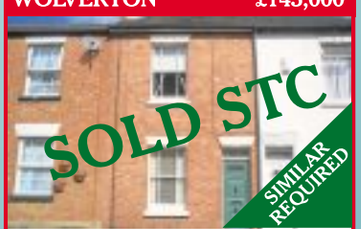
TO LET

- 2 bedrooms
- First floor apartment
- Re-fitted kitchen
- Re-fitted bathroom
- White goods
- Off road parking
- Deposit & reference required
- No DSS

WOLVERTON £140,000

- 3 bedrooms
- Upstairs bathroom
- Overlooking Tennis Courts
- In need of complete modernisation
- Three reception rooms
- Utility room
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Close to local ameneties
- No upper chain

WOLVERTON £145,000



- 2 double bedrooms
- Mid terraced house
- Separate reception rooms
- Upstairs bathroom
- Extended Sun room
- Many original features
- Gas to radiator heating
- Close to local ameneties

WOLVERTON £140,000

- 2 double bedrooms
- Two reception rooms
- Upstairs bathroom
- Full cellar
- Re-fitted kitchen
- UPVC double glazing
- Close to local ameneties
- Enclosed garden with outbuildings

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DRAYTON PARSLOW - JUST 10 MINUTES FROM BLETCHLEY £374,995

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EMERSON VALLEY £210,000

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VACANT FLAT IN BROUGHTON - MUST BE VIEWED £134,995

PRICED TO SELL!!! A ground floor apartment which is in very good order throughout comprising entrance hall, lounge/diner with French doors opening onto a small garden, kitchen with integrated appliances, TWO BEDROOMS, bathroom and allocated parking. Broughton is located on the Eastern flank of Milton Keynes and has a range of shops, a pub/restaurant, lots of open space and is only a couple of minutes drive from junction 14 of the M1.

BLUE BRIDGE - NO UPWARD CHAIN £294,995

Located on a good size plot in a cul de sac is this detached family home that BACKS ONTO A MATURE COPSE. The accommodation benefits from double glazing, gas radiator central heating and comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, REFITTED KITCHEN/DINER WITH INTEGRATED APPLIANCES, lounge, study, FOUR BEDROOMS (master bedroom with en suite) and family bathroom. Outside there is a double garage, parking and a GENEROUS SIZE REAR GARDEN.

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Walk to the station

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■ Sitting/dining room ■ Refitted kitchen ■ Two bedrooms
■ Refitted bathroom ■ Off road parking ■ Gardens

Medbourne £875 PCM PF

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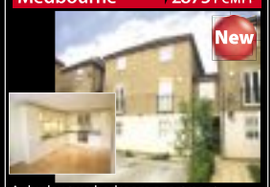

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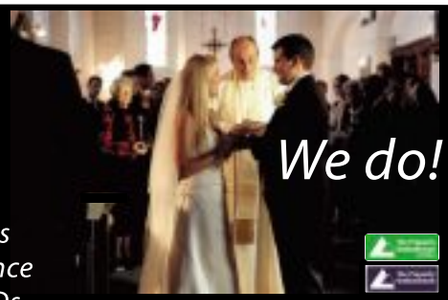

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■ Three bedrooms ■ Gardens ■ Garage

Neath Hill £595 PCM PF

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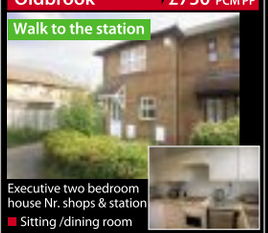
■ Hall ■ Lounge/diner ■ Kitchen ■ Bathroom
■ Block paved drive ■ Garage
■ Rear garden ■ Double glazing

Oldbrook £750 PCM PF

Walk to the station



Executive two bedroom house Nr. shops & station
■ Sitting /dining room
■ Kitchen ■ Bathroom ■ Gardens ■ Parking

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■ Lounge/diner ■ Kitchen with white goods
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Taylors also took part in an identical event last May, with 17,000 sellers taking part nationally, attracting a whopping 31,000 viewings over the weekend, which resulted in 2,000 successful sales.

The advantage of the National Open House Weekend is that it is time-saving and more convenient for all parties involved. The timing allows sellers and buyers to organise multiple viewings over the Saturday and Sunday, rather than trying to cram viewings into their busy weekday lifestyles.

To support the national event, property and mortgage experts will be available to offer specialist advice for all local buyers, sellers, investors and homeowners.

Peter Wallace, Managing Director said "Our sellers are really excited to be taking part in the Open House Weekend as it's been a huge success in previous years and it's widely recognised as a great opportunity to match sellers and prospective buyers.

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"So whether you're a seller or buyer hoping to take part in the National Open House Weekend, or would just like some advice about purchasing or selling property, contact your local branch and we'll be happy to help."

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Closing Date: Friday 18th May 2012
Interviews: Friday 25th May 2012

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For an application form and further information please visit our website www.brooklands@cbc.beds.sch.uk or contact Mrs S Read on 01525 372018.

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Interviews: w/c 21 May 2012

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Email: crichardson@sharnbrook.beds.sch.uk

Closing Date: Friday 18th May 10am
Interview Date: Tuesday 22nd May
Start date: Monday 25th June

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The successful applicant will need to demonstrate:

- excellent communication and interpersonal skills in order to negotiate and liaise with a range of stakeholders
- that he/she is committed, flexible and well organised
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- proven experience and knowledge of financial management and budgetary planning and control
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- A strong commitment to safeguarding children

The appointment will be subject to all relevant employment checks and a 6 month probationary period. One working week will be in the school holidays over the Easter break. Annual leave will be taken during the school holidays.

Closing Date: Friday 25th May Interviews: Tuesday 12th June
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For further details and an application pack please visit our website:

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Bedford Charity is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be subject to an Enhanced CRB check, references and other checks.

Closing Date
16 May 2012
Interview Date
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Please telephone Lou Ellis (Headteacher's P.A.) at the school for further details and an application form; this information is also on our website www.redborne.com

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SCIENCE TEACHER

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ART TEACHER

Required for September, 2012

An Art Teacher is required for September, 2012; applications from NQTs or experienced staff are welcome. The successful candidate will be well qualified, keen and enthusiastic and will join a team of dedicated teachers.

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ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER

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- Have experience of leading successful whole-school improvement
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- Have a commitment to a high-quality learning experience for *all* our children

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- A good school with outstanding features (Ofsted - March 2010)
- An experienced and committed team of staff
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Visits are warmly welcome. Please telephone the school on 01234 401404 to arrange a visit. Application packs can be downloaded from www.brickhilllowerschool.co.uk or hard copies obtained directly from the school office.

Apply by: Friday 17th May 2012, 5.30pm
Shortlisting on: Friday 18th May 2012
Interviews on: Monday 28th May 2012

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SENCO (MPS + TLR 2)

We are looking for a committed and well-organised teacher with high expectations who places children with special educational needs at the heart of the work of the school.

Reference THW/12/032633/002. Please apply online at https://www.hirewire.co.uk/job/34874.

Teacher of English (MPS)

We seek an outstanding teacher of English to make a significant contribution to the teaching and development of English and literacy across the school.

RE Co ordinator (MPS + TLR 2)

We seek an outstanding Teacher and Co ordinator of RE to make a significant contribution to the teaching and development of RE across the school.

For all of the above posts we are seeking colleagues who can:

• engage and inspire all of our students • create a buzz about learning and accelerate progress • demonstrate excellence in the classroom

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Beauchamp is committed to the safeguarding and welfare of all students and the successful applicants will be subject to an enhanced CRB clearance.

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed by telephoning 01234 300900
Closing date for all posts: 15.05.12 12.00 noon. Interviews: Week beginning 21.05.12
Application packs are available on the school website: www.beauchampschool..co.uk

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e-mail: school@alameda.beds.sch.uk
website: www.alameda.beds.sch.uk
Headteacher: Mrs S. Lourensz

School Business Manager (Full Time)

NJC 40 – 45 (£33,661 - £38,042)

Due to the retirement of the finance manager the Governors wish to appoint a dynamic business manager to help lead the school forward as we come to the end of the first year as an academy. The successful applicant will be able to demonstrate a high degree of financial skill and as a member of the Senior Leadership team will be able to contribute to the strategic management of the school.

Responsibilities include financial management, human resources management and other administrative and support functions.

Applicants are welcome and encouraged to visit the school.

Details of the job description, person specification and application form can be found on the school's website www.alameda.beds.sch.uk

For further enquiries or to arrange a visit, please contact Mrs Ann Mabberley by phone, 01525 750900 ext 5 or e-mail school@alameda.beds.sch.uk

Closing date for applications: Wednesday 16th May

Interview date: Friday 25th May

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For more information and an application form, please go to our website: www.horizonhealth.co.uk or contact Diane Glendinning on 01234 897555.

Closing date for applications is close of business Friday 18th May 2012. Please note that any applications received after this date will not be considered. Please send a CV with your application. Candidates must be available for interview during the week commencing 28th May 2012.
Successful applicants will be contacted by telephone by Wednesday 23rd May 2012 to confirm their interview date & time.

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School Appointments

Central Bedfordshire

Hawthorn Park Lower School

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(Quote ref: 2887)
30 hours per week, term-time only

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For further details and an application pack please contact L Johnson, Hawthorn Park Lower School, Parkside Drive, Houghton Regis, Bedfordshire LU5 5QN. Tel: 01582 863859. Email: l.johnson@cbc.beds.sch.uk

Closing date: 14 May 2012.
Interview date: 22 May 2012.

Leedon Lower School

CLASS TEACHER
UPS (Quote ref: 2920)
Full-time

Would you like to teach in a school where…

- We strive to provide a creative, exciting and challenging curriculum through a thematic approach
- Outdoor learning is supported by amazing resources, including a small farm
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- A passion for teaching and learning is shared by ALL
- Brain-friendly strategies are used to maximise everyone's potential
- And everyone is supported and valued equally.

Well, look no further - Leedon Lower School could be the place for you!

We are seeking an inspirational and creative, experienced teacher who will make learning irresistible inclusive and effective. You will have the vision to enhance our learning environment.

We will offer exceptional CPD opportunities for individual career enhancement, a well resourced school environment and the opportunity to work in partnership with our committed staff team.

The post will commence September 2012 when our current teacher will be leaving for a new adventure in education. If you are interested in this highly desirable post then please come and visit us so that you can see whether you can fit into an environment where everyone rises to the new challenges faced every day.

To arrange an appointment to visit and get further details plus an application form please contact the school office. If you have not heard from us by Friday 18 May 2012 please assume that your application has been unsuccessful.

For further details and an application pack please contact Mrs Frances Godfrey, Headteacher, Leedon Lower School, Highfield Road, Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire LU7 3LZ. Tel: 01525 374713. Email: leedon@cbc.beds.sch.uk

Closing date: 15 May 2012.
Interview date: 24 May 2012.

Posts working with either children and/or vulnerable adults will be subject to the disclosure of criminal records.

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The appointed teacher will be committed to providing an excellent standard of teaching and will need to have foundation stage experience. An interest in outdoor learning and an ability to project a creative learning environment is essential. Can you offer vision, drive and passion? Can you help us to shape our learning values and make learning fun?

2x Year Group Team Leaders

Core subject responsibility with TLR

We require two experienced, flexible, enthusiastic teachers to run either a key stage 1 or 2 year group team and to take responsibility for a whole school core subject. You should be imaginative, passionate about learning and able to motivate your team in order to give our children the best possible experience.

Closing date: Noon, Monday 21st May 2012.

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed. Applications can be downloaded from our website www.queensparkacademy.co.uk or alternatively please contact the school on 01234 352901, or via email qpa@queenspark.beds.sch.uk

Queens Park Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the criminal records bureau.

FOXDELL JUNIOR SCHOOL
DALLOW ROAD, LUTON LU1 1UP

Experienced KS2 Teacher and NQT

MPS/UPS

Due to our continuing expansion and staff promotion, we wish to appoint for September 2012, an experienced and highly motivated KS2 Class Teacher and an NQT.

You will:
- Be an outstanding classroom practitioner
- Have high expectations of all pupils
- Work as part of a team supporting the ethos, aims and vision of the school
- Display a strong commitment to raising standards
- Have drive and an enthusiasm for sport.

We can offer you:
- A vibrant and welcoming atmosphere
- Well behaved and motivated children
- An attractive, well resourced working environment
- Excellent professional development opportunities.

Visits to the school are welcome, by appointment.

For further details and to arrange a visit please contact Mrs K Millett on 01582 733764 or email: foxdell.junior.admin@luton.gov.uk

Closing date: 17 May 2012. **Ref: 40/0424**

Interview date: 28 May 2012.

WENLOCK JUNIOR SCHOOL
BEACONSFIELD, LUTON LU2 0RW

Assistant Inclusion Manager (SEN, EAL and G&T)

MPS/UPS plus TLR2a

Do you want a new challenge?

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Visits to the school are warmly welcomed, to arrange this and for further information please contact Mrs Stephens on 01582 730624 or email: wenlock.juniors.admin@luton.gov.uk

Closing date: 24 May 2012. **Ref: 40/0429**

Interview date: 29 May 2012.

To apply for these roles, visit www.luton.gov.uk/jobs and click on the link to the Teaching and Schools Vacancies.

CVs will not be accepted for any posts based in schools.
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Bromham Lower School
Grange Lane, Bromham Bedford

EYs or Y1 Teacher

MPS
Full-time, temporary contract to cover maternity leave

We are looking to appoint a high quality practitioner for a Foundation Stage or Year 1 class in our newly re-designed setting. This is to cover maternity leave, commencing September 2012.

Visits to the school welcome.

For further details and an application pack please visit www.bedford.gov.uk alternatively please contact Mrs V Gilks, tel: 01234 822784, email: bromhamlower@schools.bedfordshire.gov.uk

Closing date: 18th May 2012 at 12noon.
Interview date: 25th May 2012.

Castle Lower School
Goldington Road, Bedford MK40 3EP

Class Teacher KS1 or KS2

MPS
Full-time

We have dedicated staff and children who are eager to learn. You have an opportunity to join this exciting learning environment as we are looking to recruit teachers in KS1 and 2 who have an interest and experience in ICT, Humanities or Modern Foreign Language to start in September 2012. This may suit an NQT as well as an experienced teacher.

For further details and an application pack please contact Mrs S Goduti, Office Manager, tel: 01234 300800 or email: castle@deal.bedfordshire.gov.uk

Closing date: 18th May 2012.
Interview date: 23rd May 2012.

Daubeney Academy
Orchard Street, Kempston, Bedford MK42 7PS

Deputy Head Teacher

L7 - L11 (£43,521 - £48,024) negotiable
Full-time

If you have the passion, expertise and commitment to continue our journey to "Outstanding", then we definitely want to meet you.

We are looking for an additional Deputy Head Teacher to strengthen the senior management team and to further provide distributed leadership, with special responsibility for standards of achievement within the school. Middle School experience is not required, but energy, enthusiasm and commitment are essential.

We are looking for an outstanding teacher who:
- Can inspire and motivate our staff and pupils
- Is committed to continual improvement
- Has a clear vision of the future to take our school to Outstanding
- Is creative and innovative with a passion for teaching and learning
- Has high expectations of children and staff
- Will work in partnership with pupils, staff, parents/carers, academy directors and the wider community.

In return, we can offer you a school which has a friendly and supportive professional working environment with a dedicated and supportive staff and Board of Directors. Daubeney Academy is committed to the professional development of all staff.

Daubeney Academy is an over-subscribed, mixed 9 - 13, multi-cultural, 480 pupil middle school in the western outskirts of Bedford. On 1 April 2012 the school changed status from a Foundation School to become Daubeney Academy, whilst still remaining a member of the Kempston Education Trust.

The staff and directors of Daubeney are committed to the continual improvement of the learning experience of our pupils. The school has earned a well-deserved reputation both for attainment and pastoral care of its pupils.

For further details and an application pack for this post please contact Liz Joyce, tel: 01234 400111 or email: daubeneyms@deal.bedfordshire.gov.uk

Closing date: 16th May 2012.
Interview date: 30th May 2012.

Edith Cavell Lower School
Manton Lane, Bedford MK437TE

Assistant Head Teacher

L5 - L9
Full-time
Required September 2012

Edith Cavell is a happy, caring school seeking an enthusiastic, innovative and highly motivated Assistant Head Teacher to take responsibility for Assessment across the school. The post requires an outstanding teacher, with drive and ambition to promote high expectations of teaching and learning and the ability to raise standards, ensuring all children achieve their full potential.

You will:
- Be an outstanding classroom practitioner who can act as a role model for others
- Have the ability to inspire, challenge and motivate
- Be able to demonstrate excellent leadership, organisational and inter-personal skills
- Support the Head Teacher in providing strategic leadership
- Be able to lead on Assessment and use data to further raise attainment.

We can offer:
- Well behaved children who enjoy their learning
- Friendly, committed and supportive staff, parents and Governors
- Dedicated leadership time and opportunities for professional development.

Visits to the school are warmly welcome. Please telephone the school on 01234 345636 to arrange a mutually convenient time.

For further details and an application pack please contact Karen Davis, tel: 01234 345636 or email: edithcavel@deal.bedfordshire.gov.uk application packs can be emailed on request or hard copies obtained from the school office.

Closing date: 18th May 2012 at 12noon.
Interview date: 28th May 2012.

Hazeldene Lower School
Stancliffe Road, Bedford MK41 9AT

Class Teacher

MPS
Full-time FTE 1

Due to internal promotion the Governors are seeking to appoint a Class Teacher. Newly Qualified Teachers will be considered. Please state curriculum strengths/expertise.

Visits to the school are warmly welcome. Please telephone the school for an appointment.

For further details and an application pack please visit www.bedfordshire.gov.uk or www.hazeldeneschool.co.uk alternatively please contact Mrs Norman, tel: 01234 300100 or email: hazeldene@deal.bedfordshire.gov.uk

Closing date: 18th May 2012 at 12noon.
Interview date: 30th May 2012.

Kempston Rural Lower School
Church End, Kempston Beds

KS1 Class Teacher

MPS
Full-time

Required for September 2012, an outstanding Class Teacher initially for KS1. We are seeking to appoint a hard working, creative and highly competent teacher who is dedicated to ensuring that children reach their full potential. You will also have the ability to project an exciting creative learning environment for all. In return we offer a well resourced and high achieving lower school with delightful children and a supportive staff team.

Visits to the school are encouraged.

For further details and an application pack please contact Mrs S Walsh or Mrs J Dodson, tel: 01234 854286 or email: kempston@deal.bedfordshire.gov.uk

Closing date: 21st May 2012.
Interview date: 28th May 2012.

Lakeview School
School Lane, Off Brooklands Avenue, Wixams, Bedford MK42 6BH
Lakeview is a new and exciting School in the outskirts of Bedford.

The Governors are seeking to appoint additional, outstanding practitioners to assist in further developing this new school in Wixams Village. These opportunities will make a significant contribution to the future development of the School and successful candidates will join a team which is dedicated and provides excellent standards in a creative environment.

Assistant Head Teacher

Leadership 5 - 7
Full-time

We are looking to appoint an exceptional Assistant Head Teacher who is an outstanding classroom practitioner and has an excellent track record of improving academic standards coupled with first class leadership, management and communication skills.

Class Teacher with specialty in either MFL or Music

MPS
Part-time - 3 days (to cover PPA)

We are looking for an enthusiastic high calibre teacher who has exceptional subject knowledge with the vision and ability to further raise the achievement of pupils.

KS1 Teachers x2

MPS
Full-time

We are looking for two inspirational teachers that are highly committed, positive and enthusiastic to join our successful team.

We welcome applications from NQT's.

Early Years Teacher

MPS
Full-time

We require an Early Years teacher to work in our new state-of-the-art unit. You will be able to demonstrate the ability to work within a team, have effective organisational skills and a willingness to contribute to school life.

We welcome applications from NQT's.

Teaching Assistants Level 2 x2

£13,874 - £16,440 per annum (pro rata)
Level 2, Point 10 - 16 dependent upon experience
Full-time x1 and part-time x1 - term-time only plus 5 Training days
Fixed-term contract until 24th July 2013

Experienced, enthusiastic TA's to work throughout the school. NVQ2 and previous experience is essential for this post.

Office Assistant/Receptionist

£13,874 - £16,440 per annum
Level 2, Point 10 - 16 dependent upon experience
Full-time (37 hours per week) - term-time only plus 5 Training days

Reliable enthusiastic Office Assistant/Receptionist required for this exceptionally busy school office. Excellent interpersonal and ICT skills required together with being able to work as part of a team.

For further details and an application pack for Lakeview roles please visit www.lakeview.beds.sch.uk alternatively please contact Jane Bociek, tel: 01234 741653 or email: Lakeview@schools.bedfordshire.gov.uk

Closing date for Lakeview roles: 11th May 2012.
Interview date for Lakeview roles: 18th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd May 2012 (depending on the role).

Livingstone Lower School
Clapham Road, Bedford MK41 7LG

Class Teacher - Year 1

MPS 1-6
Required from September 2012
Monday - Friday, 9.00am - 3.30pm, term-time only plus training days

We have an exciting opportunity for a Year 1 Class Teacher to join our growing school in September 2012. We are looking for an enthusiastic individual who is committed to providing opportunities for our children to excel.

You will be an excellent practitioner, a team player and have a good sense of humour. NQTs are welcome to apply.

Closing date: 14th May 2012.
Interview date: 21st May 2012.

Teaching Assistant Level 3

3A Point 15-18
Monday - Friday, 8.45am - 3.45pm, term-time only

We require an experienced and dedicated Level 3 Teaching Assistant. You will have an understanding of children with a variety of needs and be a good team player.

Cleaner

1B Point 5-8
Monday - Friday, 3.45pm - 5.45pm, year round contract

We are looking for an enthusiastic, conscientious individual to join our cleaning team. Experience preferred.

Closing date: 21st May 2012 at 12noon.
Interview date: w/c 28th May 2012.

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed and encouraged.

For further details and an application pack please contact Mrs L Large, tel: 01234 352879 or email: livingstonelower@schools.bedfordshire.gov.uk

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Turvey Lower School
May Road, Turvey, Bedford MK43 8DY

Class Teachers x2

MPS
Full-time
Required for September 2012
Post 1 - Fixed-term Maternity cover
Post 2 - Initially on a 1 year contract due to increasing numbers

We are looking for two enthusiastic and well motivated teachers who will inspire our children to achieve their full potential.

We seek conscientious team players who will contribute fully to school life.

We can offer you:
- Happy well behaved children
- A dedicated friendly team
- Supportive Parents/Governors.

NQT's are welcome to apply. An interest in music would be an advantage.

For further details and an application pack please contact Mrs A Mul, tel: 01234 881259 or email: turvey@deal.bedfordshire.gov.uk

Closing date: 18th May 2012.
Interview date: 24th and 25th May 2012.

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St George's Lower School, Leighton Buzzard

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Closing Date: Friday 18th May 2012, 12 noon
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Start Date: September 2012

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KEY STAGE 2 CLASS TEACHER (MPS)

Required from September 2012

Applications are invited from outstanding candidates who have a proven record of achieving excellent student outcomes.

The successful candidate will:

- Be supportive of our Catholic ethos
- Provide outstanding lessons that inspire and extend our children
- Raise the educational achievements of all in Key Stages 2

St Gregory's is an active partner in the Federation of Bedford Catholic Schools and this is an exciting opportunity to join us in the next phase of school development.

Applications are welcomed from newly qualified as well as experienced teachers.

Further Information and application forms are available from our website or by emailing the school.

Closing Date: Wednesday, 16 May 2012 at 12 noon
Interviews: Monday, 21 May 2012

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Required for September 2012

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A willingness to work flexibly as part of a small, high-achieving team is essential. Additional strengths in extra-curricular areas and pastoral support would be an advantage.

A copy of the job description and an application form is available to download from the School's website (www.bedfordschool.org.uk). Applications should be returned to the Head Master no later than midday on Friday 18th May. Please note that CVs will not be considered.

Email enquiries to:
slapidge@bedfordschool.org.uk

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Closing Date
18 May 2012
Interview Date
25 May 2012

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You will need to be presentable, persuasive, and confident at communicating face to face and on the telephone at both management and grass roots level. Our salespeople need to identify and develop a strong understanding of client's objectives and challenges in order to develop winning selling strategies and proposals.

This position would suit someone with previous sales experience looking to move into the fastest growing advertising medium in 2012 and beyond!

Training will be provided, but an interest and appreciation of digital media would be beneficial. You will also need to be focused on delivering high standards of customer service and building customer rapport through canvassing and cold calling.

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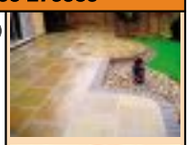
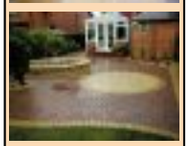
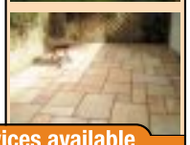

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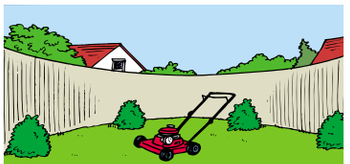

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NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT an application has been made to the Milton Keynes Council (the Licensing Authority) for a New Premises Licence by MR. VINAYAGAMOORTHY MUHUNTHAN and MRS. KAUSHALYA MUHUNTHAN in respect of "PREMIER", 110-112 Buckingham Road, Bletchley, Milton Keynes, MK3 5HL.

The details of the application are as follows:

New Premises Licence for the Retail Sale of Intoxicating Liquor of all descriptions for consumption off the premises. The opening hours for the sale of retail of alcohol are as follows: Monday - Sunday 08.00 to 11.00

The address of the Licensing authority is Licensing Team, Milton Keynes Council, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes, MK9 3HH. The Internet address of the Licensing authority is www.mkweb.co.uk/licensing.

The Licensing register can normally be accessed Mondays to Thursdays between the hours of 9am and 5pm, and Fridays 9am - 4pm (excluding bank holidays).

Any interested party or responsible authority may make representations in respect of the application, which must be submitted, in writing, to the above address within 28 days of the date below.

This notice remains in force from and including the day after the giving of this notice to the licensing authority namely 3rd May 2012 for 28 consecutive days.

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make false statements in connection with an application. The maximum fine on summary conviction is £5,000.00.

HIGHWAYS AGENCY

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14(1)(A) THE M1 MOTORWAY (JUNCTION 14 MILTON KEYNES AND NEWPORT PAGNELL SERVICE AREA BUCKINGHAMSHIRE) (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION AND PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2012

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of State for Transport has made an Order on the M1 Motorway at Milton Keynes and in the County of Buckinghamshire to enable the replacement of lighting columns and associated cabling, and safety barriers and traffic signs to be carried out in safety.

The works are expected to take place in phases starting on, or after, Monday 21 May for approximately 5 nights, and between Monday 11 June and Thursday 12 July for approximately 32 nights. The works will be carried out using a combination of lane closures and slip road closures.

The effect of the Order will be to -

1. impose a 50 miles per hour speed limit, in conjunction with lane closures, on the M1 -
1.1northbound carriageway between points –
- 2600 metres southeast and 1700 metres northwest of the A509 eastern overbridge at J14, and
- 2100 metres southeast of Wolverton Road underbridge and 1300 metres northwest of Little Linford Lane overbridge,

overnight from 7pm-7am Mondays, 8pm-7am Tuesdays to Thursdays, 10pm-8am Fridays, 6pm-10am Saturdays and 9pm-7am Sundays,

1.2southbound carriageway between points –
- 2800 metres northwest and 1500 metres southeast of the A509 eastern overbridge at J14, and
- 2300 metres northwest of Little Linford Lane overbridge and 1,100 metres southeast of Wolverton Road underbridge,

overnight from 7pm-6am Mondays to Thursdays, 9pm-9am Fridays, 7pm -11am Saturdays and 10pm-6am Sundays; and

1.3exit and entry slip roads at J14 and the Newport Pagnell Motorway Service Area, northbound (during the times given at 1.1) and southbound (during the times given at 1.2); and

2. close, in turn, the slip roads described at 1.3, overnight from 10pm to 5:30am.

During the exit slip road closures at J14 traffic will be diverted on to the next junction, here to join the opposite carriageway back to exit the M1 at J14. The diversion route for traffic wishing to join the M1 northbound will be via the A509, A5 and A508 to join the M1 at J15; and for the M1 southbound via the A509, A4146 and A421 to join the M1 at J13.

The temporary mandatory speed limit (which will not apply to emergency service or special forces vehicles), closures (which will not apply to emergency service, traffic officer or works vehicles) and diversion routes will be clearly indicated by traffic signs throughout the works.

The Order will come into force on 15 May 2012 and have a maximum duration of eighteen months.

Mrs A V Middleton

An official of the Highways Agency

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THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES PUFFIN PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON SHERWOOD DRIVE, BLETCHLEY

FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Notice advertised on 2 May 2012 contained a typographic error in relation to the proposed crossing type. The Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes proposes to establish a **Puffin** pedestrian crossing along part of Sherwood Drive, Bletchley, Milton Keynes under section 23(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (the Act). All other provisions of the Notice remain as previously notified.

Philip McCourt, Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer
Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes
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SECTION 73 **WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA**

12/00760/FUL Erection of single storey rear extension and replacement of dormer windows in front and rear elevation with larger dormers at 8 Russell Street, Stony Stratford.

12/00761/FUL Erection of two bay car port at Warren Farm Cottages, 1 Watling Street, Little Brickhill.

12/00862/TNOT Installation of 1 x BT DSLAM telecommunications equipment cabinet at The Plough, London Road, Stony Stratford.

12/00864/FUL Two storey extension to provide 10 additional bedrooms, remodelling of the internal layout to allow for 3 extra bedrooms at 9 Station Road, Woburn Sands.

SECTION 67 & 73 **LISTED BUILDING WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA**

12/00803/FUL Two storey rear extension in order to provide a private access to the accommodation with a passenger lift to first floor level and an enhanced kitchen area; installation of a fully functioning disabled wet-room facility at 7 High Street, Stony Stratford.

12/00804/LBC Listed building consent to erect a two storey rear extension in order to provide a private access to the accommodation with a passenger lift to first floor level and an enhanced kitchen area; installation of a fully functioning disabled wet-room facility at 7 High Street, Stony Stratford.

12/00897/LBC Listed building consent for reinstatement of part of the building following fire damage at The Swan Inn, Broughton Road, Milton Keynes Village.

SECTION 67 **LISTED BUILDING**

11/01193/FULEIS A wind energy development comprising the erection of fifteen wind turbines, each with a maximum overall height of up to 120m together with access tracks and hard standing areas and a temporary site compound at Stoke Lodge Farm, Purse Lane, Stoke Goldington.

12/00849/FUL Change of use from dwelling house (Use class C3) to teaching family centre (Use class C2) at 7 Mill Lane, Woolstone.

12/00865/LBC Listed Building Consent to paint exterior of the Malsters Pub at Malsters Arms, 45 Aylesbury Street, Bletchley.

12/00943/LBC Listed building consent for installation of door screens into existing window (re-submission of 11/02694/LBC) at Lathbury Park, Church Lane, Lathbury.

SECTION 67 **AFFECTING THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING**

12/00750/FUL A 'swimming pool' enclosure with ancillary service building and garages on site of existing barn at Wolverton Grange, Watermill Lane, Wolverton Mill.

12/00790/TPO Tree preservation order consent to prune branches back by up to 10% and partially reduce crown by 5% of Willow (T1) at Poplar Farmhouse, 35 Station Road, Bow Brickhill.

12/00947/TPO Tree preservation order consent to fell one Ash tree and 30% crown reduce one Chestnut tree at Brook Farm, Milton Road, Willen.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED UNDER (REGULATION 19 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) ENGLAND AND WALES REGULATIONS 1999)

11/01193/FULEIS A wind energy development comprising the erection of fifteen wind turbines, each with a maximum overall height of up to 120m together with access tracks and hard standing areas and a temporary site compound at Stoke Lodge Farm, Purse Lane, Stoke Goldington.

Nick Fenwick
Assistant Director Planning, Economy and Development

MILTON KEYNES PARTNERSHIP
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED)
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2010
NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13
MAJOR

12/00956/MKPC Extension of the time limit of planning permission 07/00119/MKPC for a further period of five years for the construction of a new waterway arm totalling 6.5km in length, including routing through Willen Lake, over the River Ousel, canalisation of Broughton Brook and Waterway Terminus at Eagle Farm North and provision of associated infrastructure including bridges, locks, weirs and structural landscaping at Newlands, Fox Milne, Atterbury, Broughton, Fen Farm & Eagle Farm, Milton Keynes.

12/00968/MKPCR Reserved matters application for the appearance, landscaping, layout and scale of development for part of Tattenhoe Park Site 1 comprising 16 dwellings, associated garages and playspace pursuant to outline planning permission (ref. 06/00602/MKPCO) for residential-led mixed used development of 450 dwellings at Kingsmead South, off Hayton Way, Milton Keynes .

12/00969/MKPCR Reserved matters application for the appearance, landscaping, layout and scale of development for part of Tattenhoe Park Site 1 comprising 147 dwellings, associated garages and playspace pursuant to outline planning permission (ref. 06/00856/MKPCO) for residential-led mixed used development of 1310 dwellings at Tattenhoe Park, off Hayton Way, Milton Keynes.

Sheila Keene
Head of Strategic Policy and Planning,
Homes and Communities Agency

MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL

THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
ALTERATIONS TO WAITING AND PARKING CONTROLS IN CENTRAL MILTON KEYNES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes has on 9 May 2012 made four Traffic Regulation Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 in relation to Central Milton Keynes. The Orders, the titles of which are recited at the end of this Notice, will vary existing parking restrictions and introduce new parking and waiting restrictions. The Orders come into effect on 10 May 2012 and have the following effects within the roads or parts of the roads stated below:-

- The relocation of the parking places for police vehicles from Saxon Gate East to Witan Gate;
- The replacement of the parking places for Police along Saxon Gate East with disabled persons' parking places;
- The introduction of disabled persons' parking places along Witan Gate;
- The relocation of the Hackney Carriage Stand along Midsummer Boulevard to the front of the Jury's Inn Hotel;
- The replacement of the Hackney Carriage Stand along Midsummer Boulevard with premium rate pay and display parking places;
- The replacement of 208 premium rate pay and display parking places along Silbury Boulevard, Avebury Boulevard and Secklow Gate with standard rate pay and display parking places;
- The replacement of 14 premium rate parking places along Silbury Boulevard with 2 hour limited waiting, no return within 2 hours parking places;
- The replacement of 12 standard rate pay and display parking places along Lower Twelfth Street with 2 hour limited waiting, no return within 2 hours parking places.

All classes of vehicle are affected by the Orders. Exemptions include emergency services and military vehicles, statutory undertakers, building, demolition and excavation, disabled persons' badge holders and some others.

Copies of the Orders, maps showing the affected roads, Orders to be varied or revoked and the Council's statement of reasons for proposing the Orders may be viewed at Milton Keynes Council, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm on any working day, and at Milton Keynes Library, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes during normal opening hours.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Orders or any provision contained in the Orders on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act, or on the grounds that any requirement of the Act or any Instrument made under the Act has not been complied with may, within six weeks from the date on which the Orders were made, apply to the High Court for that purpose.

Order Titles

The Council Of The Borough Of Milton Keynes (Central Milton Keynes) (On-Street Free And Limited Parking Places And Waiting Restrictions) Order 2002) Variation Order 2012

The Council Of The Borough Of Milton Keynes (Central Milton Keynes) (On-Street Standard Rate Pay And Display And Pay By Mobile Phone Parking Places And Various Permits) Order 2002) Variation Order 2012

The Council Of The Borough Of Milton Keynes (Central Milton Keynes) (On-Street Specific And Permit Parking Places) Order 2002) Variation Order 2012

The Council Of The Borough Of Milton Keynes (Central Milton Keynes) (On-Street Premium Rate And Long Stay Pay And Display And Pay By Mobile Phone Parking Places) Order 2002) Variation Order 2012

Philip McCourt, Assistant Director – Law & Governance 9th May 2012
1 Saxon Gate East, Civic Offices, Central Milton Keynes

THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
(PARTS OF BUCKINGHAM ROAD, SHERWOOD DRIVE AND WATER EATON ROAD) (TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2012

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes has on 9 May 2012 made an Order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to enable re-surfacing works to be carried out on parts of the roads, including roundabouts, along Buckingham Road, Sherwood Drive and Water Eaton Road, Bletchley, Milton Keynes. The effect of this is to temporarily prohibit vehicular access along that part of Buckingham Road, Bletchley from its junction with the V7 Saxon Street to its junction with Church Green Road, including the roundabouts at those junctions; that part of **Sherwood** Drive, Bletchley from its junction with Buckingham Road to its junction with the southern entrance to Milton Keynes College, including the roundabout at that junction, and Water Eaton Road, Bletchley from its junction with Buckingham Road (including the roundabout) to its junction with Wellington Place. It is anticipated that there will be overnight closures on the above roads on 15, 16, 17 and 18 May 2012 which will take place between the hours of 8.00 pm and 6.00 am every night.

Whilst the above closures are in effect, vehicles should proceed along the alternative routes as follows:-

Eastbound from Water Eaton Road to Buckingham Road and Central Bletchley via Duncombe Street;

Westbound from Water Eaton Road to Buckingham Road via Duncombe Street, the V7 Saxon Street, the V6 Watling Street, the H8 Standing Way and Buckingham Road;

Northbound from Water Eaton Road to Sherwood Drive and Old Bletchley (Milton Keynes College & Bletchley Railway Station) via Duncombe Street, the V7 Saxon Street, the V6 Watling Street, the H8 Standing Way, Buckingham Road, Rickley Lane, Whalley Drive and Sherwood Drive;

Westbound from the Brunel Centre roundabout to Water Eaton Road via Duncombe Street;

Westbound from the Brunel Centre roundabout to Buckingham Road and West Bletchley via Duncombe Street, the V7 Saxon Street, the V6 Watling Street, the H8 Standing Way and Buckingham Road;

Westbound from the Brunel Centre roundabout to Sherwood Drive and Old Bletchley (Milton Keynes College and Bletchley Railway Station) via Duncombe Street, the V7 Saxon Street, the V6 Watling Street, the H8 Standing Way and Buckingham Road;

Eastbound from Buckingham Road to Water Eaton Road via Church Green Road, Rickley Lane, Whalley Drive, Whaddon Way, the V7 Saxon Street, the V6 Watling Street and Duncombe Street;

Eastbound from Buckingham Road to Sherwood Drive and Old Bletchley (Milton Keynes College and Bletchley Railway Station) via Church Green Road, Rickley Lane, Whalley Drive and Sherwood Drive;

Eastbound from Buckingham Road to Central Bletchley via Church Green Road, Rickley Lane, Whalley Drive, Whaddon Way, the V7 Saxon Street and the V6 Watling Street.

The alternative routes will be signed in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Traffic Signs Manual and advance information signs will be placed at either end of the lengths of roads to be closed a few days before the works are due to take place. All owners/occupiers of adjacent residential properties and commercial premises will be notified of the closures in writing by the applicant in advance.

There shall be no exemptions from the provisions of the Order except for emergency services vehicles and military vehicles. Buses will be given access through the closed roads between the hours of 8.00 pm and 10.00 pm.

The Order will come into operation on 15 May 2012 and will continue in force for a period of up to a maximum of 18 months or until the said works have been completed whichever is the earlier. If the works are not completed within the period stated, a further Order may be made.

Any person committing a breach of the Order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

Philip McCourt, Assistant Director – Law & Governance 9th May 2012
1 Saxon Gate East, Civic Offices, Central Milton Keynes

THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
(MARKET PLACE AND SILVER END, OLNEY)
(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2012

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes for the purpose of facilitating the holding of a relevant event namely the 'Olney Motorama' which is being promoted by Bob Benbow, President of Newport Pagnell and Olney Lions Club, intends to make an Order under Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit all vehicular access along both the eastern and southern sides of Market Place, Olney from their junctions with the High Street to their junctions with Silver End, Olney and along Silver End from its junction with Market Place to its junction with East Street, Olney. It is anticipated the closure will be in operation on Sunday 10 June 2012 between the hours of 7.30 am and 5.30 pm. The closure will be in effect when the appropriate signs are in place.

The alternative route for traffic will be via High Street, Holes Lane and East Street and vice versa.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 10 June 2012 at 7.30 am and will continue in force for a maximum period of 3 days.

There shall be no exemptions from the provisions of the Order except for emergency services and military vehicles, vehicles used in connection with the event, and for pedestrians.

A copy of the proposed Order, statement of reasons for making the Order and a map showing the areas referred to, may be inspected during opening hours at Milton Keynes Library, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Milton Keynes, at Olney Library, High Street, Olney and during normal office hours at Milton Keynes Council, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Central Milton Keynes, quoting reference number WL/P&E/005228/TCO/1937.

Any person committing a breach of the Order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

Philip McCourt, Assistant Director – Law & Governance 9th May 2012
1 Saxon Gate East, Civic Offices, Central Milton Keynes

THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
(REDWAYS (PART) HEELANDS, OLDBROOK, NEWPORT PAGNELL AND DOWNHEAD PARK) (TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2012

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes intends, in not less than seven days from the date of this notice, to make an Order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. Its effect will be to temporarily prohibit all access along the following lengths of redway:-

Heelands – that length of redway from its junction with West Dales to its junction with the redway to the rear of Gisburn Close, Heelands.

The alternative route will be via Arncliffe Drive and the redway to the rear of Gisburn Close.

Oldbrook- that length of redway that runs adjacent to Sutcliffe Avenue from its junction with Appleyard Place to its junction with Boycott Avenue. The alternative route will be via Sutcliffe Avenue, Boycott Avenue and Appleyard Place and vice versa. The redways linking Oldbrook with South Row Central Milton Keynes will still be accessible.

Newport Pagnell – that length of redway known as Railway Walk from its junction with Greenlands Close to a point where it meets the play area situated to the rear of Whitethorns. The alternative route will be via Wolverton Road and the footway that runs between numbers 116 and 118 Wolverton Road and vice versa.

Downhead Park – that length of redway that runs between Thorneycroft Lane and Colesbourne Drive. The alternative route will be via the footways on Thorneycroft Lane and Colesbourne Drive and vice versa.

The Council is satisfied that the temporary closures are necessary because of works being carried out, namely resurfacing works on the redways. It is anticipated the temporary closures will take place from Monday 21st May 2012 until Friday 10th August 2012, inclusive. It is hoped that the works will not take as long as envisaged and therefore, the redways may open sooner if the works are completed ahead of schedule.

The restrictions will be in force between the dates shown and when indicated by the appropriate traffic signs.

There will be no exemptions from the provisions of this Order.

The proposed Order will come into operation on Monday 21st May 2012 and will continue in force for a maximum period of 6 months or until the works are completed, which ever is the sooner. If the works are not completed within the maximum period stated, a further Order may be made with the consent of the Secretary of State.

Any person committing a breach of the Order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

Philip McCourt, Assistant Director – Law & Governance 9th May 2012
1 Saxon Gate East, Civic Offices, Central Milton Keynes

MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF PROPOSED NEIGHBOURHOOD AREAS FOR WOBURN SANDS TOWN COUNCIL AND CENTRAL MILTON KEYNES TOWN COUNCIL
Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012

Milton Keynes Council has received applications for the designation of two neighbourhood areas and, in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, the council is carrying out a 6 week consultation on the proposed Neighbourhood Areas from **Tuesday 8 May to Tuesday 19 June 2012.**

The applications:

Woburn Sands Town Council – the Town Council has submitted proposals to prepare a Neighbourhood Development Plan for the parish of Woburn Sands following the parish boundary. The application is accompanied with a map showing the extent of the proposed Neighbourhood Area and a statement from the Town Council explaining why and how they intend to prepare a neighbourhood development plan for the area.

Central Milton Keynes Town Council – the Town Council has submitted proposals to prepare a Neighbourhood Development Plan for the parish of Central Milton Keynes following the parish boundary. The application is accompanied with a map showing the extent of the proposed Neighbourhood Area and a statement from the Town Council explaining why and how they intend to prepare a neighbourhood development plan for the area.

The applications can be seen on the Milton Keynes Council website at: http://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/planning-policy

How to comment:

All comments on the proposed Neighbourhood Areas must be received by the Development Plans team by 5pm on Tuesday 19th June 2012. Comments can be made:

By email to: development.plans@milton-keynes.gov.uk
By post to: Development Plans, Milton Keynes Council, Planning, Economy and Development, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Central Milton Keynes MK9 3EJ
By fax to: 01908 252330

Please note that this is not a consultation on the Neighbourhood Development Plans themselves, but merely the identification of the area for which the Parish or Town Council wish to prepare a neighbourhood development plan. Neighbourhood Development Plans are a way for Town and Parish Councils to help shape how their community develops over the coming years.

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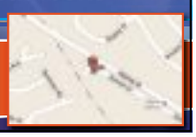

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Dons need to forget final performance

KARL Robinson has repeatedly said that taking form into the play-offs is not essential, and now more than ever he will be hoping that is the case.

After an undefeated April which earned the boss a manager of the month nomination, one of the most important months of the season began in underwhelming circumstances.

Only a point was required against strugglers Walsall to secure fourth place on the season's final day, but the Saddlers had not read the script and Dons sacrificed that spot to play-off opponents Huddersfield.

The Terriers beat Yeovil 2-0 to jump above Dons, booking themselves a home second leg in the crunch semi-final.

Robinson had desperately wanted to play the second match on home territory but his side now face a tricky trip to the Galpharm Stadium on Tuesday night.

Whether this has any baring on the outcome of the tie remains to be seen but one thing is certain - Dons can not afford to play like they did in the 1-0 home defeat to Walsall when Huddersfield come calling.

The stage was set for a morale boosting victory over a Saddlers side who have continually struggled this season, only securing their League One status last weekend.

But with the pressure off Dean Smith's players didn't come simply to see out the season - they came to finish with a flourish.

Dons, on the other hand, were completely out of sorts with the Huddersfield showdown perhaps weighing too heavily on their minds.

Robinson named a strong line-up, making five changes from the tinkered side that played at Rochdale, but nothing clicked into gear on a deeply frustrating afternoon.

Assistant boss John Gorman, on the touchline for the final time in a regular season game after he announced his retirement, described the defeat as the worst performance of the season.

He said: "It was a very bad game for us but that is football, you've just got to accept it sometimes.

"We can't make any excuses, we weren't at the races and couldn't get our game going."

Walsall took the lead when Will Grigg out sprinted Tom Flanagan, burst into the box and finished superbly across David Martin, and the visitors continued to have the better chances all afternoon.

Emanuel Ledesma failed to tuck away two one-on-ones and Alex Nicholls missed an even easier chance after being played in by former Man City striker Jon Macken.

Dons have racked up over 100 goals this season but they could not create a chance against Walsall on an afternoon when tempo and urgency failed to surface.

If they can take one positive, it's that the bad performance did not come a week later in the play-offs.

Things can and will get better and Gorman has emphasised the importance of fans getting behind the team.

Only a small number stayed in their seats as the team finished what has been an excellent season with a lap of honour.

"The style we've played all year has been a delight to watch but today we couldn't get our passing game going, there's no real rhyme or reason for it," he said.

"We've been tremendous all year and you can't really knock us for a bad performance.

"To not finish fourth is disappointing but it was disappointing that fans left us at the end when we needed them, when we play well it's easy to get behind us."

Gorman does not feel that losing the right to play the home leg second will have much of an impact, stating the case of Chelsea and Barcelona.

Dons know that a successful couple of weeks will quickly make everyone forget what happened against Walsall.

It may have been a poor way to end, but Dons have performed superbly over the course of the campaign and that should not be forgotten as the play-offs loom on the horizon.

Dan Powell in action during a frustrating afternoon

Charlie MacDonald on the ball

Bowditch: we want to win both matches

DEAN Bowditch said he is not concerned about having to play Huddersfield away second – as it gives Dons the chance to turn them over in their own back yard.

The disappointing defeat to Walsall on Saturday saw the stadiummk outfit lose the right to play the second leg on familiar territory, but Bowditch, the club's leading scorer, does not believe that the team have anything to fear.

He is more excited about the prospect of sealing a Wembley final at the ground of the Yorkshire club.

"We were desperate to get fourth, but we've still got to play two games," he told MK SPORT:

"It doesn't matter that we have to go to Huddersfield second. It's still two games, and 90 minutes.

"If anything, to win it at their place would be unbelievable.

"Against Walsall we just didn't turn up and for whatever reason it wasn't our day.

"That's gone now, it's in the past and we can't worry about it.

"We can learn from our mistakes but form is now out of the window.

"The games coming up are the important ones.

"We've got the bad game out of the way in the league and the play-offs are the games which get you to the next level.

"As long as everyone turns up on Saturday, and I'm 100 per cent sure we will do, then we'll get the result that we want."

Bowditch was at Ipswich during a Tractor Boys play-off campaign but he wasn't fully involved, so he is looking forward to being a key component as Dons set their sights on promotion to the Championship.

"At Ipswich I wasn't playing but the buzz of it was absolutely amazing," he said.

"If we can get any sort of advantage going into the second leg, then there is a chance that they might get nervous.

"Our form away from home has been very good this year and I think we can turn them over at their place.

"We want to win both games, as we'd go into the final filled with confidence.

"But the first game comes first. If we have a one or two goal lead going into the second leg, then all the better."

Bowditch, signed from Yeovil Town during the summer, has excelled on the right wing for Dons and says it would be his best season to date if promotion through the play-offs was achieved.

He said: "Already I've had such a good year but to have that icing on the cake would be amazing.

"Scoring in the semi-final would be massive, but the result at the end of the day is the most important thing.

"We know everything about them and I'm pretty sure they know everything about us so it's going to be a close game.

"We know how close it's going to be but we're so confident at the moment."

The winger said it was important that a good following turns out to help roar Dons to Wembley.

"I don't know if the fans know that it does affect us," he said.

"It's absolutely massive, you look at our performances when we've had big crowds, against QPR and Sheffield United, and you saw that suddenly the lads were playing with their chests out.

"They wanted to put on a performance for the crowd and it's so important that everyone comes out to support us.

"It helps us get through the game and when the game has gone a bit stale, hearing the crowd behind you lifts you and helps you perform, so I hope they come out in their numbers."

MK Dons assistant boss JOHN GORMAN writes exclusively for MK NEWS every week

IT WAS an emotional day for me on Saturday after I announced my retirement from football.

After the game with Walsall, to my surprise, there was a bit of a celebration with some people I have met during my years in the game.

I walked into the room and saw them all and I just didn't expect it, there were so many people there.

There was a video of my career and we all enjoyed it, I think it even surprised some of the players.

Glenn Hoddle was there as well as other people in the game, or a lot of people who wanted to come were probably still coaching that day.

Sir Alex Ferguson left me a message and so did my son, who got in touch from Thailand.

Karl had phoned him, and they gave me a framed Celtic kit, to mark the start of my career, and an MK Dons top to mark the end of my career.

The Dons shirt had 44 on the back, for my 44 years in the game, and it was signed by the team

When I went out before the game, all the lads had John Gorman t-shirts and it was quite emotional walking out with my grandchildren.

But I didn't want any fuss about me, I just wanted to win the game.

It was a disappointing result and I have to admit that for the first time, a couple of the lads have said they were not at full throttle.

However, we had 15 players and I'm not sure you can blame them.

We're in the play-offs and we wanted to finish fourth, but we could not afford any more injuries – Luke Chadwick had to go off during the game.

When we've not played particulary well, that's when we need the fans, that's something I've said all season.

We took our foot off the gas but with a bit more encouragement I think it might have got more out of us.

That's all I was trying to really say after the game.

It's a game which we need to put behind us and we've had a great week leading up to Saturday's first leg with Huddersfield.

Training has gone fantastic and things are looking very positive.

We've been very thorough with our preparations and we are totally prepared, and I think the team who are best organised will win the tie.

FINAL LEAGUE ONE TABLE

			Home					Away						
	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Charlton	46	15	6	2	46	20	15	5	3	36	16	46	101 C
2	Sheffield Wed	46	17	4	2	48	19	11	5	7	33	29	33	93 P
3	Sheffield Utd	46	16	4	3	54	27	11	5	7	38	24	41	90
4	Huddersfield	46	14	6	3	35	19	7	12	4	44	28	32	81
5	DONS	46	12	6	5	45	22	10	8	5	39	25	37	80
6	Stevenage	46	10	10	3	36	23	8	9	6	33	21	25	73
7	Notts County	46	13	5	5	42	29	8	5	10	33	34	12	73
8	Carlisle	46	12	7	4	41	30	6	8	9	24	36	-1	69
9	Brentford	46	10	6	7	36	24	8	7	8	27	28	11	67
10	Colchester	46	8	11	4	38	33	5	9	9	23	33	-5	59
11	Bournemouth	46	9	5	9	23	23	6	8	9	25	29	-4	58
12	Tranmere	46	9	11	3	27	16	5	3	15	22	37	-4	56
13	Hartlepool	46	6	6	11	21	22	8	8	7	29	33	-5	56
14	Bury	46	8	8	7	31	32	7	3	13	29	47	-19	56
15	Preston	46	7	9	7	30	35	6	6	11	24	33	-14	54
16	Oldham	46	9	5	9	26	26	5	7	11	24	40	-16	54
17	Yeovil	46	10	3	10	34	41	4	9	10	25	39	-21	54
18	Scunthorpe	46	5	10	8	28	33	5	12	6	27	26	-4	52
19	Walsall	46	7	9	7	27	27	3	11	9	24	30	-6	50
20	Leyton Orient	46	6	6	11	23	34	7	5	11	25	41	-27	50
21	Wycombe	46	7	6	10	37	38	4	4	15	28	50	-23	43 R
22	Chesterfield	46	7	6	10	26	33	3	6	14	30	48	-25	42 R
23	Exeter	46	8	8	7	31	29	2	4	17	15	46	-29	42 R
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ATHLETICS

GREG Rutherford continued his build-up to the Olympics in superb fashion by equalling the British long jump record.

The Milton Keynes Athletic Club star jumped 8.35m, albeit with a tailwind, at Chula Vista in California.

Rutherford, a previous record holder, matched the distance set by British rival Chris Tomlinson with the leap.

SWIMMING

CITY of Milton Keynes Swim Club youth swimmers (14-years-old and above) competed at the 50 metre pools at Crawley and Guildford in the South East England swimming championships over the bank holiday weekend, and Ben Flaherty, Natasha Pike, Lucy Chenery and the men's 4x200m freestyle team all captured regional titles.

Flaherty took the 200m butterfly title, just beating team mate Matt Masters, while Pike took her first regional gold by winning a close race in the 50m butterfly.

Chenery was a strong performer throughout the competition, winning the multi-disability 50m, 200m and 400m freestyle golds as well as the 50m backstroke.

The relay team of Aaron Lee, Matt Masters, Courtney Dos Santos and Flaherty also came second in the 4x100m freestyle.

TABLE TENNIS

CITY Olympic hopeful Andrew Baggaley is hoping to seal his spot at London 2012 by coming through the world qualification tournament this week.

As the host nation, Great Britain will be able to take three men and three women to the Olympics automatically, with one player competing in the singles and the rest taking part in the team event.

But players can qualify under their own merit by coming through qualifying, which starts tomorrow in Doha, Qatar.

Baggaley, who was unsuccessful when trying to qualify through the European tournament, would have to rely on being selected by Team GB if he comes up short again.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

MILTON Keynes Pathfinders prevailed in a dour defensive encounter against Maidstone Pumas in Kent last week.

From a purists' point of view Andy Larwill and Sean Makoena were the star performers with an array of sacks and tackles between them.

Pathfinders had a number of key offensive absentees and weren't able to consistently move the ball for extended drives necessary to score.

Defensive back Chris Parr notched both Milton Keynes' touchdowns, the first a 75 yard punt return, the second in two weeks, and the other a 25 yard interception which left MK 14 points to the good.

LOCAL FOOTBALL

IN DIVISION One of the MK Sunday League Olney all but clinched the league title by beating Stoke Hammond 5-1.

Olney are three points clear of AFC Santander who have the impossible task of overturning a +37 goal difference in their final game.

Attention this week switches to the end of season cup finals taking place at Manor Fields in Fenny Stratford.

The Bill Johnson Trophy final kicks off at 10.30am and sees Stantonbury Social A take on the Open University.

Stony Stratford will then take on Trade2u in the Knock Out final, kick-off at 2pm.

FLOORBALL

MK PHANTOMS are preparing to enter their first tournament since the club's reformation.

Sixteen players, ten who have not played the sport before, will travel to Solihull on Sunday for the six team event.

The club, under new captain Adam Scoggins and two alternate captains Amie Whitehall and Ian Copping, are preparing to enter the league system in October.

BOWLS

BLETCHLEY Town Bowls Club are offering people the chance to play the sport for free.

All are welcome at the Princes Way club on May 27, with a 2pm start. The club regularly play friendly matches and take part in competitions at district, county and national level.

ICE HOCKEY

More roster changes as Lightning rebuild

NICK Poole is not wasting any time as he seeks to build Lightning's squad for next season.

It's been another busy week of comings and goings for the player-coach as he plots how his side will bounce back from a campaign without any trophies next season.

Slovenian forward Blaz Emersic has chosen to stay with the team for another year and two more offensive players, Adam Brittle and Grant McPherson, have also signed new deals for 2012/13.

However, two long serving forwards, Matt Towalski and Michael 'Muzzy' Wales, are moving in the opposite direction.

Poole has taken the 'difficult decision' to allow the pair to leave after Lightning failed to pick up any of the three pieces of silverware on offer during the season just gone.

"It's always hard to say goodbye to any player, as a coach it's always a hard decision to reach," Poole said.

"But it's especially so for players who are such strong characters like Muzzy and Matty.

"However, we believe that we need to freshen up the team and for new players to come in, unfortunately that means others have to make way.

"Muzzy is such a strong character in the team – he has been key to many of our successes with his high-energy style of play, and has scored some timely goals, and we know that means he's sure to be a real thorn in our side when we face him on another team.

"Matty is as honest a character as there is, he competes night in and night out with grit, intensity and great skating ability - he has played on all three lines and has been a great assistant captain.

"For seven years he's travelled up to us, up to four times a week, and has embodied the three things we ask of all our players, commitment, honesty and effort."

Adam Brittle is one of those staying put after a week of changes at Lightning

Emersic bagged 34 goals last season to become the club's second deadliest player in front of goal and his signature has given Poole a major boost, along with Brittle and McPherson's commitment.

He said: "We're absolutely delighted to be bringing back Blaz for another year, as we feel in him we have the most complete player in the league.

"He does everything so well and never takes a night off. He competes at both ends of the ice and is a leader on our team.

"Some players' form fluctuates, but Blaz is like a Rolls Royce out there, always performing to a very high standard.

"Adam can play any of the forward positions and gives us a lot of versatility.

"He is a complete player, with his fantastic skating ability he is great on the both the penalty kill and powerplay.

"Grant brings us energy and is a very versatile player.

"He has good skill and can play either center or wing."

FORMULA ONE

Red Bulls want to build on Bahrain success in Spain

RED Bull Racing are hoping to see improvements this weekend as the Formula 1 season continues with the Spanish Grand Prix.

The Tilbrook based outfit lead the way in the Constructors' Championship and world champion Sebastian Vettel tops the drivers' standings but the team have fallen short of the mesmerising standards set last year during what has been a very open season.

Testing in Mugello in Italy has given the team the chance to iron out any issues and Vettel said that the exercise was a 'useful couple of days'.

The German, *pictured*, has cast doubt on whether his team can regain the dominance shown last season but he will be hoping to build on victory in Bahrain last time out - his first win of the year.

With the season shaping up to be a much tighter affair every point will be crucial and as the Barcelona based Circuit de Catalunya is a familiar one for Red Bull, confidence is high.

Vettel said: "Of all the current GP tracks, Barcelona is the one that we know the most because we have done so much testing there in recent years.

"That said, the knowledge that you gain at the tests doesn't always help due to the changing wind direction that occurs there, which can sometimes give you a nasty surprise, especially into turn one.

"But in general, a car that functions well aerodynamically in Barcelona will work everywhere – so it will be an interesting weekend.

"We have been working on the package for Barcelona at this week's test, but we will still have set-up work to do there on arrival."

Team mate Mark Webber, third in the championship after finishing fourth in every race of the season, added: "It's the first European race of the season, so it will be all hands on deck after a successful Mugello test.

"It was a tricky start to the test, but it finished off well and we head to Barcelona with good miles on the car and an understanding of some new avenues.

"I like the Barcelona track, we do a lot of work there and it's a track that's been good to me in the past.

"I got pole there for the last two years and converted it to a win in 2010, so I'm looking for a strong weekend."

TOURING CARS

Frustration for Nash on notorious circuit

JAMES Nash left the Hungaroring on Sunday disappointed but determined to shine in future events after recording an 11th place finish and a late retirement in the two World Touring Car Championship (WTCC) races at the Budapest track.

The Ford Focus Team Aon driver made good starts, particularly in race one where he made up five places from his P12 grid slot at the first corner.

Unfortunately, on what was his first-ever visit to the notoriously tricky Hungaroring circuit he fell back in each race, his lack of detailed knowledge of the venue compared to that of most of his rivals proving to be an insurmountable disadvantage.

Newport Pagnell driver Nash said: "I made a great start in the opening race and got up to seventh but I just couldn't hold on

"Then in race two we were forced to retire the Team Aon Ford Focus with just a lap to go which was frustrating but it happens, even to the best of us.

"Possibly after showing good speed in Slovakia people expected more from us but remember, nobody had driven the Slovakiaring before and we weren't disadvantaged by being new to the WTCC. That wasn't the case this weekend." The season continues in Austria on May 19 and 20.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Wolves taste defeat

MK WOLVES went down 40-24 to Bedford Tigers at Emerson Valley in the club's debut league clash.

The hosts started brightly thanks to player-coach Scott Aspinall, who deftly sidestepped through the Bedford defence to set up centre Simon Read who opened the scoring with Wolves' first ever competitive try after just two minutes.

But Bedford, last season's league winners, responded immediately and ran in three unanswered tries as their experience began to shine through.

On the half-hour mark Aspinall again showed his rugby league guile by scoring under the posts, which he duly converted, but Bedford struck once more before the break to make the half-time score 30-10.

Wolves were eager to cut out their mistakes in the second half, but it was Bedford who again scored early

However, Chris Melly and Michael Whitehead hit back for the Wolves to reduce the deficit, before Bedford struck again.

Whitehead then ran in a second try to complete the scoring.

The two teams will battle again in Bedford this Saturday.

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Red Bull eye success in Barcelona – page 75

John Gorman received a guard of honour from players and officials as Dons closed the season against Walsall on Saturday. The club want play-off glory so the club's assistant manager, who has announced his retirement, finishes his career in style. More play-off build up on page 74.

Robbo: Nobody can stop us

BY DAN PALMER

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KARL Robinson is relishing the crunch play-off semi-final clash with Huddersfield and has warned the Terriers – nobody can stop us.

The Dons boss says he is taking his side into their second play-off campaign in as many years with 'absolutely no fear'.

With the first leg of the tie taking place at stadiummk on Saturday, Robinson feels as if the season is beginning again and he can't wait for the first ball to be kicked.

Dons slipped up against Walsall on Saturday and fell to fifth place in the league in the process but the manager said that he would back his players against absolutely everyone.

He said: "I back them against any team in this league.

"Nobody's going to stop us, we're going to make sure we put every bit of effort into it.

"I'll deal with the pressure, I'll deal with the adversity and I'll take that on my shoulders.

"The players' job is to perform and play football for the club. That's the most important thing, that's what they are paid to do.

"Saturday's an opportunity for them to perform at the highest level and show what they can do."

Dons will spend the time between the first leg and the away match on Tuesday at a Leicestershire hotel as they look to maximise their recovery.

The club are planning everything to the finest detail and believe they are much more prepared than last year, when Peterborough United knocked Dons out at the same stage.

Robinson believes that the scars of that defeat would not impact his players this time around and he said such occasions are why he is a football manager.

He said: "We've suffered defeat and it didn't break us, it took the fear out of it.

"If you take the fear out of it then if you lose, you lose and if you win, you win.

"We go to bed at night dreaming of great days and celebrations.

"Now we have to make sure we do what we can to achieve our goal and take that siege mentality into the dressing room."

The manager is under no illusions about how tough a test Huddersfield will pose, joking that the best way to stop their star asset Jordan Rhodes is to 'kick him in the tunnel'.

"Their forwards are worth more than our whole team so it's going to be so difficult, but we're really looking forward to it," he said. "We are ready for the game on Saturday."

Skipper not phased by ghosts of play-offs past

DONS skipper Dean Lewington believes that the scars of three play-off failures will not be a factor when taking to the pitch against Huddersfield.

The club's longest serving player knows exactly what it's like to lose in the semi-finals having been part of the squads that tasted defeat to Shrewsbury, Scunthorpe and Peterborough.

But Lewington thinks that Dons are psychologically ready for this year's test against Huddersfield and he hopes his side may get that bit of luck which has been previously lacking this time around.

Last year's exit to Peterborough was a particularly bitter pill to swallow, with Dons upset at decisions which went against them, but the captain said any sense of injustice was out of the squad's system.

He said: "At the time it was difficult and it stayed with us through to pre-season.

"But this year's been a fantastic campaign and if there was any side effects it would have shown before now.

"The past is the past, you take the good bits out of it and leave everything else behind.

"A few players have been through it and it's not been a nice experience, but it's an experience nonetheless.

"We can learn from where we went wrong last year and try and put it right this year."

Lewington said the squad are not particularly upset about having to play the second leg in Huddersfield – their punishment for losing to Walsall on Saturday and slipping below the Terriers to fifth.

"We are very comfortable away from home," he said.

"We've shown that we're a good counter attacking team so we're not losing any sleep over it.

"Taking a lead into the second leg would be the best outcome, a draw would be par for the course and even a one-goal deficit wouldn't be the end of the world.

"As long as you're still in the game then any outcome is possible."

Lewington will take his place in a defence charged with keeping out Huddersfield's strong front line.

He added: "We've got a pretty good defensive record so we are not too worried about it."

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POTENTIAL LINE-UP

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2. CALUM WOODS
5. PETER CLARKE (c)
11. DANNY WARD
14. DAMIEN JOHNSON
15. SEAN MORRISON
16. SCOTT ARFIELD
17. JORDAN RHODES
18. TOMMY MILLER
21. LEE NOVAK
32. JACK HUNT
M: SIMON GRAYSON

LEAGUE STATISTICS

FINAL POSITION: 4th
GOALS SCORED: 79
GOALS CONCEDED: 47
FORM: LLLWDW

LIKE Dons, Huddersfield are aiming to put last year's play-off heartbreak to bed by tasting glory this time around.

The Terriers got one stage further than Karl Robinson's men by reaching the final at Old Trafford, but a second half collapse saw them lose 3-0 to Peterborough who put Dons out in the semis.

Manager Lee Clark had guided his men through an astonishing 43-game unbeaten streak in the league but despite this record achievement he was sensationally sacked as manager in February, to be replaced by former Leeds man Simon Grayson.

Huddersfield are currently not in the best of form but they are a highly dangerous outfit which is packed full of top quality players.

Their star asset is without question lethal striker Jordan Rhodes who has been scoring for fun this season – racking up an incredible 38 goals to date.

The Yorkshire club have rested their star man in recent weeks to make sure he is as fresh as possible for the play-off showdown.

Dons will need to work out how to stop him if they are to make it through to Wembley, although the front man did fail to find the target in both of the previous games this season.

With players returning from injury and a number of different options at Grayson's disposal, Huddersfield's team is tough to predict, but whatever side is put out will be formidable opposition.

Grayson said that he has a game plan in place for Dons and already has a good idea of what side he will play against Karl Robinson's men.

He said: "Some players are going to be disappointed because they all want to be involved over the next two games.

"I have a good idea of what my team will be on Saturday, and hopefully we'll have no fitness problems through the week.

"Whoever I pick, it will be for the sake of the club and the team, not individuals, and I expect every player who is involved to go out and do their job.

"I know how MK play, and I know how I want us to play against them. We were working on our plan last week and we will continue to do it this week.

"We'll go to MK with focus and determination to get a result. We will be positive in our approach.

"The job is far from done. I came here to get the club promoted and until I do that won't have achieved anything."

Striker Alan Lee could be back from a knee problem to take his place in the match day squad, so left back Gary Naismith is Huddersfield's only injury concern.

PREVIOUSLY...

BOTH league meetings between the two sides ended 1-1 this season, so something is going to have to give in the play-offs.

At stadiummk in September, Lee Clark's Huddersfield dominated the first half and went in front thanks to Scott Arfield's close range effort, but Dons came roaring back after the break and levelled through skipper Dean Lewington's goal, pictured.

David Martin was then needed to save a late Lee Novak penalty after Dons man Gary MacKenzie had seen red for violent conduct.

It was a similar story at the Galpharm in February as Huddersfield started strongly and forced their way in front as Jamie McCombe headed home.

But Dons again improved after half-time and found parity thanks to Stephen Gleeson's free-kick, which although meant as a cross, found its way into the net.

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DONS FANS ARE THE TWELFTH MAN

SO here we are again - the play-offs.

It's looked like we'd end up here for some time, but the enormity of the occasion only starts to hit home when the games are just around the corner.

Play-off games are where history is made and where the careers of players are defined.

They are packed full of drama, heartbreak, controversy and a roller coaster of emotions but when the prize is so great that is the only way they can be.

By the end we won't have any nails left but we will have reminded ourselves why we love football.

Everything this season has been building up to this moment.

The afternoons watching the team at their free flowing best at stadiummk, the pain of the defeats, the hours spent on motorways or at service stations - all of it has been a mere prequel to what is to come.

We are about to start afresh and battle for a place in the Championship and it's so close we can almost touch it.

One team will prevail, and will be able to look forward to hosting the likes of Leeds and Blackburn next season.

For the rest, it's another year in League One with teams such as Yeovil and Crawley.

The gulf is huge and that is why it is so important but MK SPORT has every confidence we can do it.

Anyone who was at the end of season awards knows that this club is more than ready for the Championship.

The stadium is coming along superbly, plans are afoot for a new training ground and there's been more buzz about the club this season than ever before.

On the pitch it has been an excellent campaign with goals and clean sheet records both being broken, and numerous sides have been put to the sword.

Who would ever have thought that Alan Smith would sign for Dons, or that we would beat a Premier League team 4-0 on their own ground?

It's been a season full of memories but it's now time to create a few more.

This club is going places and it's time for the entire city to unite and be a part of it.

That extra bit of support, that chant at the right time, that louder cheer of encouragement - it could be the difference between glory and devastation.

If you've not been to stadiummk before, Saturday at 12.30pm, when Huddersfield come to town, is the time to start.

If you used to go but don't any more or you go sporadically, then we need you back.

If you are a season ticket holder then make sure you get a friend along to see what they are missing.

MK Dons are the city's club and if everybody gets together then we've got every chance of doing this.

We've been so close in the past and this time we are going to get over that finishing line.

Come on you Dons – it's time to tame the Terriers.